

Act Early Alabama: Early Identification of Autism Spectrum Disorders and Other Developmental Disabilities

Satellite Conference and Live Webcast

Thursday, August 9, 2012; 12:00-2:00 p.m. (Central Time)
1:00-3:00 p.m. (Eastern) ■ 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (Mountain) ■ 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. (Pacific)

Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and other developmental disabilities affect a growing number of our nation's children. The best defense is early detection and offering interventions that can change the course of a child's life. Program faculty will discuss how these disorders present in young children, review referral sources, and demonstrate how to identify the early warning signs of ASD.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this live activity, participants will be able to:

1. Identify typical communication, social-emotional, and behavioral milestones in early childhood.
2. Identify early indicators for Autism Spectrum Disorders and other developmental disabilities (DD) in young children.
3. Determine screening and assessment measures to administer to young children at risk for ASD/DD.
4. Recall American Academy of Pediatrics and other professional recommendations for screening and multi-disciplinary diagnosis of ASD.
5. Identify and locate information and resources through the "Learn the Signs, Act Early" campaign and other dissemination sites.
6. Discuss critical elements of intervention for young children at risk for ASD/DD to increase appropriate referrals.
7. Identify Alabama-specific resources for screening, evaluation, and intervention for children with suspected ASD/DD.

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Conference Details

Target Audience: Nurses, social workers, educators, school counselors, clinicians, physicians and other medical staff working with young children

Continuing Education: Nurses 1.75 hours, social workers 1.75 hours

Registration: Available at www.adph.org/alphtn

Technical Information: To receive complete technical information you must register at www.adph.org/alphtn.

Satellite - Live satellite conference on C band (analog)

Webcast - Watch with RealPlayer or Windows Media Player. Test your computer with the "test connection link" at www.adph.org/alphtn

Audio - To listen by phone, call 1-888-557-8511. Enter access code 972-1530 #.
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On Demand - Available on our website two days after live broadcast.

Conference Materials: Available at www.adph.org/alphtn approximately one week before the program.

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