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Please register me for the following R2K events:

- _____ \$325.00 2008 R2K Conference
- _____ \$300.00 Early Registration, if received prior to January 15, 2008
- _____ \$250.00 Group Rate: Five or more participants registering together prior to January 15, 2008
- _____ \$50.00 A FABULOUS FÊTE featuring fun, food, and performers from The Miracle Project, focus of the celebrated documentary, *Autism: The Musical*.

All participants will receive a certificate of attendance verifying 12 contact hours and 1.2 CEU's through AOTA.

* AOTA members deduct 10% discount on individual registration of \$325.00 per CEU agreement.

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Pediatric Therapy Network

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COURSE LOCATION



701 W. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90831
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ROOMS

\$149.00 plus tax/standard room
This rate is guaranteed for reservations made prior to January 27, 2008 or upon availability.
Please call the hotel at 562.983.3400 for room reservations.

PARKING

\$11.00 overnight self-parking; \$7.00 day self-parking

R2K: Research 2008

Building Bridges Between Research and Practice

February 16–17, 2008

SENSORY INTEGRATION, EMOTIONS AND AUTISM

Symposium Presenters

David G. Amaral, PhD Nancy Bagatell, PhD, OTR/L
Margaret L. Bauman, MD Karen R. Dobkins, PhD
Morton Ann Gernsbacher, PhD Connie Kasari, PhD
Susan B. Knox, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA Brendon M. Nacewicz



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PEDIATRIC THERAPY NETWORK is proud to sponsor its ninth annual research symposium, R2K, this year devoted to the presentation of outstanding research in the areas of neural substrates of autism, emotion and sensory integration. This year's program will include applications of neuroscience research to intervention, particularly addressing social and emotional skill development. R2K originated through the collaborative efforts of the Research Advisory Council and the staff of Pediatric Therapy Network. This conference is designed to build collaborative relationships between researchers and clinicians so that research relevant to practice is facilitated and utilized for the benefit of the individuals and organizations utilizing therapeutic services. PTN invites all individuals who are interested in research that contributes to understanding child development.

ABOUT PEDIATRIC THERAPY NETWORK

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Occupational and physical therapists, speech and language pathologists, psychologists, educators, administrators and other health-care professionals working with both typically and atypically developing children. Parents and other persons interested in learning more about the emotional and social development of individuals, especially those on the autism spectrum.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this symposium, the participant will be able to answer the following questions:

- ◆ What are the neural substrates of autism?
- ◆ What role does the limbic system play in the symptoms related to autism such as anxiety?
- ◆ What are the characteristics of nonverbal social behavior that affect individuals on the autistic spectrum?
- ◆ What are several strategies that can be implemented to enhance emotional and social development in individuals with autism?
- ◆ Identify avenues for future research for health care professionals working with individuals with autism and sensory integrative deficits.

SENSORY INTEGRATION, EMOTIONS AND AUTISM

Saturday, February 16, 2008

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 9:15 Welcome: Zoe Mailloux, MA, OTR/L, FAOTA
9:15 – 10:30 Margaret L. Bauman, MD. **EMOTION AND BEHAVIOR: IS IT ALL IN THE BRAIN?**
10:30 – 11:00 Break
11:00 – 12:15 David G. Amaral, PhD. **NEUROBIOLOGY OF SOCIAL BEHAVIOR AND EMOTION: IMPLICATIONS FOR AN UNDERSTANDING OF AUTISM**
12:15 – 12:30 Discussion
12:30 – 12:45 **AWARDS CEREMONY: Bridges to the Ivory Tower Award & The Alice S. Bachmann Clinician Award**
Presented by Susanne Smith Roley, MS, OTR/L, FAOTA
12:45 – 2:00 Lunch (provided)
2:00 – 3:15 Brendon M. Nacewicz. **CONNECTING BEHAVIOR, BRAIN AND BIOCHEMISTRY IN NORMAL AND AUTISTIC AMYGDALA DEVELOPMENT**
3:15 – 3:30 Discussion
3:30 – 3:45 Break
3:45 – 5:00 Morton Ann Gernsbacher, PhD. **IMITATION AND AUTISM: MIRROR NEURONS, INTENTIONALITY, OR MOTOR PLANNING?**
5:00 – 5:15 Discussion
5:15 – 5:30 Closing remarks
7:00 – 10:00 A Fabulous Fête featuring fun, food and performers from The Miracle Project, focus of the celebrated documentary, *Autism: The Musical*.

Sunday, February 17, 2008

- 9:00 – 10:15 Karen R. Dobkins, PhD. **ATYPICAL VISUAL PROCESSING IN INFANT SIBLINGS OF CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS**
10:15 – 10:30 Discussion
10:30 – 11:00 Break
11:00 – 12:15 Connie Kasari, PhD. **TARGETING INTERVENTIONS OF JOINT ATTENTION AND SYMBOLIC PLAY IN YOUNG CHILDREN WITH AUTISM**
12:15 – 12:30 Discussion
12:30 – 2:00 Lunch (on your own)
2:00 – 3:15 Nancy Bagatell, PhD, OTR/L. **LIVING ON THE SPECTRUM: IDENTITY CONSTRUCTION, OCCUPATION, AND EMOTION IN THE LIVES OF ADULTS WITH HIGH-FUNCTIONING AUTISM**
3:15 – 3:30 Discussion
3:30 – 4:00 Susan B. Knox, PhD, OTR/L, FAOTA. **FOR PETE'S SAKE: INSIGHTS AND INSPIRATIONS**
4:00 – 4:15 Discussion
4:15 – 4:30 Conclusion



A FABULOUS FÊTE

Miracles happen when opportunity meets hard work sprinkled with love. Pediatric Therapy Network's just-for-fun evening this year features performers from The Miracle Project.

The Miracle Project is the focus of the celebrated documentary *Autism: The Musical* slated to air on HBO in April after its national theatrical run. A diversity of kids on the spectrum create from beginning idea to curtain call a musical show, offering an inspirational ride and evidence that creative endeavors foster a sense of community, social integration and expansive personal expression. Founder and Director Elaine Hall's magical touch inspires kids with autism to shine their brightest on stage. Through its supportive program of movement, imaginative play, music, scripted scenes and improvisation, The Miracle Project is a transformational opportunity for kids with special needs, celebrating the ability within the disability.

CONFERENCE SPONSORS

Thank you to the following organizations for their support of this year's conference.

- ◆ Emmanuel Bachmann Foundation
- ◆ IOTEC Integrated Office Technology
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