

## Easter Seals DuPage & Fox Valley Presents...

# Conceptualizing and Changing Behavior in Children with Developmental Disorders: Strategies to Improve Therapy Outcomes

Presented by Rachel L. Loftin, PhD

## **Course Description:**

This session will cover simple and effective strategies for evaluating and addressing problem behaviors, as well as teaching new skills in children with developmental disorders. Special emphasis will be given to generalizing skills in natural settings, particularly the home. Material will be presented in lecture, video examples, case discussion, and practical application to attendees' current cases.

## Target Audience:

Occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, physical therapists, educators, psychiatrists, developmental pediatricians, psychologists.

## **Learning Objectives:**

- Attendees will list common behavior challenges in developmental disorders.
- Attendees will learn to prioritize behaviors for intervention.
- Attendees will learn methods for teaching new skills.
- Attendees will explain when consequence-based strategies are appropriate.

#### **CONTACT INFO:**

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## **Date & Location:**

Thursday, August 18th, 2016
at
College of DuPage
Health and Sciences Center
425 Fawell Blvd
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Use parking Lot: "Fawell D"

## **About the Instructor:**

Rachel L. Loftin, PhD, is a clinical and school psychologist, and Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Rush University Medical Center. Dr. Loftin is the Clinical Director of the Autism Assessment, Research, Treatment & Services (AARTS) Center at RUMC, where she has



built an active diagnostic clinic, intervention clinic, and collaborations with other departments within RUMC. The AARTS Center serves patients of all ages, but Dr. Loftin has placed special emphasis on transition age youth and issues of sexuality education and criminal offending. As part of this work, she is a founding member of Autism Forensics in Psychiatry & the Law at the Yale School of Medicine and serves as an adjunct faculty member in Yale's Department of Psychiatry. She is experienced in evaluation and treatment for people of all ages with ASD and has served on several multi-site autism research studies at Rush, UIC, and Yale. Dr. Loftin receives an honorarium for speaking, and has no other relevant financial or nonfinancial relationships to disclose.

#### **Course Schedule**

8:30AM-9:00AM	Registration & Check-In
9:00—9:30	Introduction and overview
9:30 - 10:15	Defining and evaluating problem behaviors
10:15—10:30	BREAK
11:00—12:00	Case examples and Practice
12:00—1:00	LUNCH BREAK
1:00—2:30	Preventing problems and teaching skills
2:30 - 2:45	BREAK
2:45 - 4:00	Reactive strategies for problem behaviors

#### **Continuing Education Credits**

All participants will receive a course completion certificate upon successful completion of the conference. No certificates will be awarded until course completion is verified on the final date of the conference.

Early Intervention credits have been applied for.

Continuing education credits for *O.T./ P.T.* will be offered through the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation.

Occupational Therapy:



Speech Therapy:



Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox Valley Region is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-

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language pathology and audiology. See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area. ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

This course is offered for 0.55 CEUs (Intermediate level, Professional area).

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete this form and mail with payment to: Easter Seals DuPage & Fox Valley Continuing Education Department 830 South Addison Avenue Villa Park, IL 60181 FAX: 630.620.1148

Registration Fee: \$175
Early Bird Fee: \$160 on or before 6/30/16

Name:
(This is how your name will be printed on the course completion
certificate.)
Title/Position:
Organization:
Org. address:
City:
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Business phone:
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For credit card payment, please complete:
Type (please circle): Visa, MasterCard, AmEx, Discover
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Expiration Date: CVV:
Registration fee includes the conference, continental breakfast, & afternoon refreshments.
Space is limited—early registration is encouraged. Registration deadline: August 4th, 2016.

Cancellations must be in writing and will incur a \$25 processing fee. No

refunds granted after August 4th, 2016.

#### OTHER INFORMATION

MEALS- Continental breakfast & afternoon refreshments will be provided. Lunch will be on your own.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS** – Local hotel information will be provided upon request.

QUESTIONS/Special Accommodations Needed? Call us at: 630-282-2026 or by email at ce@eastersealsdfvr.org