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This course is offered for .5 CEUs (Introductory Level, Professional Area) for March 15 and .5 CEUs (Introductory Level, Professional Area) for March 16.

OTs: NBCOT has expanded the approved provider category to include seminars by ASHA-approved providers. OT recertification for 5 contact hours each day you attend.

**APA:** Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for psychologists. Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc. maintains responsibility for the program.

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**MA Educators:** Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc. is an approved provider of PDPs for the state of Massachusetts. 5 PDPs will be awarded for each day you attend.

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**RI Educators:** Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc. is registered with the RI Department of Education as a Professional Development vendor.

**All Attendees:** All attendees will receive a certificate for .5 CEUs/5 CE/5 Contact Hours for each day you attend.

## Featuring:

### THURSDAY, MARCH 15

- Deborah Lipsky, M.Ed., Author, Adult with Autism
- Barry Prizant, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Author, Autism Consultant
- Barbara Domingue, M.Ed., Executive Director, C.A.R., Inc.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 16

- Brenda Fossett, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Instructor, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

## About our speakers:



#### MORNING

#### Thursday, March 15 –

**Deborah Lipsky, M.Ed.** has a Master's degree in Education and Counseling and travels the country and Canada doing seminars on autism. She is the 2006 recipient of a Temple Grandin award and the 2005 Autism Society of Maine's outstanding volunteer award.

Diagnosed only six years ago with high functioning autism, she has found her own unique solutions and strategies for coping with autism as an adult. Deborah has a way of letting attendees "feel" what it is like to be autistic. She is the author of two books, *From Anxiety to Meltdowns* and *Managing Meltdowns*.



#### AFTERNOON

#### Thursday, March 15 –

**Barry Prizant, Ph.D., CCC-SLP** has more than 40 years experience as a clinical scholar, researcher and consultant to children and adults with ASD & their families. He is co-author of The SCERTS® Model: A Comprehensive Educational Approach for Children with ASD. Barry has published more

than 100 articles and chapters, serves on the advisory board of five professional journals, and has presented more than 600 seminars nationally and internationally.



#### AFTERNOON

#### Thursday, March 15 –

**Barbara Domingue, M.Ed.** is Executive Director of Community Autism Resources, Inc., a family & community oriented autism resource center. She is the parent of an adult son with autism and speaks throughout the area on the subject of autism. Barbara served as past

president of the Autism Society of America - Massachusetts Chapter and the Northeast Regional Conference on Autism. She has served on the board of directors for the Federation for Children with Special Needs and the Autism National Committee.



#### Friday, March 16 –

**Brenda Fossett** is well known as an excellent teacher with a gift for finding innovative ways of using technology to create motivating and meaningful learning opportunities for children with special needs. She is an instructor in the area of autism and developmental disabilities in the Dept.

of Educational and Counseling Psychology and Special Education at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, BC. Her primary areas of interest include augmentative communication, positive behavior support, and literacy instruction, particularly for persons who have autism.

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# THE 17th ANNUAL ASD SYMPOSIUM 2012

## THURSDAY, MARCH 15 & FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2012

### RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET ♦ CRANSTON, RI

This year's symposium has Deborah Lipsky, an adult with autism, speaking on anxiety and meltdowns; our co-hosts, Barry Prizant & Barbara Domingue speaking on developing trust with persons with ASD and Friday's full-day workshop is Brenda Fossett on using iPad apps to benefit persons with ASD.

Lunch Included!!  
Complimentary Parking!!  
8:30 am - 3:00 pm

A Fundraiser for our Parent Retreat and Family Support Activities ♦ Attend One or Both Days

#### HOSTED BY

**Barry M. Prizant, Ph.D., CCC-SLP,** Director, Childhood Communication Services and Brown University Center for the Study of Human Development

**Childhood Communication Seminars, Inc. (CCS)** offers continuing education seminars, workshops, and retreats that address topics related to the education and quality of life needs of children and adults with special needs and their families.

**Barbara Domingue, M.Ed., Executive Director** Community Autism Resources, Inc., Swansea MA

**Community Autism Resources** is a family created and oriented community services organization. The valuable input we receive from families furthers our goal of meeting the needs of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Our commitment to sharing knowledge, information, and enhancing skills will enable persons with autism to live satisfying and fulfilling lives within the community.

**Rhodes on the Pawtuxet**  
60 Rhodes Place  
Cranston, RI 02905

For directions:  
[www.rhodesonthepawtuxet.com](http://www.rhodesonthepawtuxet.com)

## A Fundraiser for our Parent Retreat and Family Support Activities

Childcare services are not available, please make necessary arrangements.

# Schedule of Events

## Thursday, March 15

- 7:15 – 8:15 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 – 8:30 am Introduction & Program Overview**
- 8:30 – 9:45 am From Anxiety to Meltdown: Strategies to Intervene Effectively**  
**Deborah Lipsky, M.Ed.**  
Drawing on her own personal experience and using real life examples to explain how autistic people think, Deborah offers practical and simple solutions to avoiding the anxiety that leads to tantrums and meltdowns. Her interactive style of presenting always keeps audiences riveted.
- 9:45 – 10:00 am Beverage Break**
- 10:00 – 11:30 am Lipsky Presentation (cont'd.)**
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Box Lunch Included**
- 12:30 – 1:45 pm Practical Strategies for Developing Trust with Persons with Autism and their Families**  
**Barry Prizant Ph.D., CCC-SLP & Barbara Domingue, M.Ed.**  
The success and quality of life achieved by persons with Autism Spectrum Disorder depends on the development of trusting and supportive relationships. Trust must be developed in school settings with all staff, as persons with ASD are more available for learning and engaging successfully with others. Specific guidelines will be discussed for enhancing trust with people with ASD of all ages and ability levels, and their families.
- 1:45 – 2:00 pm Break with light refreshments**
- 2:00 – 3:00 pm Prizant/Domingue (cont'd.)**

## Friday, March 16

- 7:15 – 8:15 am Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:15 – 8:30 am Introduction & Program Overview**
- 8:30 – 9:45 am Technology for Your Toolbox: Using the iPad to Support Communication and Learning**  
**Brenda Fossett, Ph.D.**  
The Apple iPad is generating a great deal of interest and enthusiasm as a tool to support communication and learning for children with autism spectrum disorder. This session will introduce participants to apps that can be used to support communication help with transitions and daily living skills, and teach a variety of early learning and academic skills and concepts. Participants will see many apps in action and will leave with a large list of apps that they can use with their children or students. This presentation has been extremely well-received for its practicality and useful strategies.
- 9:45 – 10:00 am Beverage Break**
- 10:00 – 11:30 am Fossett Presentation (cont'd)**
- 11:30 am – 12:30 pm Box Lunch Included**
- 12:30 – 1:45 pm Fossett Presentation (cont'd)**
- 1:45 – 2:00 pm Break with Light Refreshments**
- 2:00 – 3:00 pm Fossett Presentation (cont'd)**

**All presentations provide practical strategies for supporting persons with ASD and their families.**

### Bookstore

The Special Needs Project ([www.specialneedsproject.com](http://www.specialneedsproject.com)) will provide a bookstore featuring information/resources on ASD education and treatment approaches. Peruse their web site and e-mail [la@specialneedsproject.com](mailto:la@specialneedsproject.com) at least one week before the symposium if there are particular products you would like the bookstore to include.

### Lodging

A block of rooms is being held at the **Hilton Garden Inn Providence Airport/Warwick**, 1 Thurber St, Warwick, RI 02886 for \$99 single/double (401.734.9600) until February 15. The Hilton Garden Inn is less than 5 miles from Rhodes on the Pawtuxet. *Please reserve early!* To obtain the special rate, mention *ASD Symposium* when making reservations.

### Confirmation & Cancellations

A \$30 cancellation fee will apply to all registrants who cannot attend. Notice of cancellation must be given two weeks prior to the symposium. No refunds will be granted after that date. The same policy applies for purchase orders. A substitution may be made at any time. Returned checks will be charged \$25. You will receive a confirmation by e-mail, if an e-mail address was provided. If not, you will receive a confirmation by regular mail. If you do not receive a confirmation, please call Kelly at 413.374.2804 to ensure that you are registered.

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Call 413.374.2804 ♦ Fax 413.279.1361 ♦ Mail to address below ♦ [www.community-autism-resources.com](http://www.community-autism-resources.com)

Early bird rate for professionals ends on 2/15/12. Call Kelly at 413.374.2804 or e-mail [kelly@ccseminars.com](mailto:kelly@ccseminars.com) with any questions.

### RATES (please circle)

Thursday & Friday

Thursday or  Friday

### Professional

\$290 / \$265 (early bird before 2/15)

\$190 / \$165 (early bird before 2/15)

### Group (5 or more)\*

\$250 per person

\$150 per person

### Parent/Family Member/Student

\$199  Spouse \$70

\$119  Spouse \$50

Spouse name (if attending): \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Need to receive registrations at same time to qualify for group rate. Please fill out a separate registration form for each registrant.

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