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3rd Annual ABC Conference

A Trauma-Informed Approach to Caring for Children and Families with Complex Needs

Friday, November 16, 2012

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Advocate Lutheran General Hospital

1775 Dempster Street, Park Ridge, IL 60068

Featuring Presentations by:

[Mary Dobbins, MD, FAAP](#)

[James Coplan, MD, FAAP, FCNS](#)

[Sookyong Koh, MD, PhD](#)

[Michele Lorand, MD, FAAP](#)



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INTRODUCTION OF THE ABC CONFERENCE

The Third Annual ABC Conference, “A Trauma-Informed Approach to Caring for Children and Families with Complex Needs,” is sponsored by Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and the Illinois LEND (Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities) program at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and the University of Chicago. The conference will focus on evidence-based and concrete strategies to address the struggles primary care providers encounter related to Autism, Behavioral Challenges and Complex Medical Needs (ABC). These three educational tracks will run concurrently throughout the day. You will have the opportunity to learn and to network with specialists and primary care providers.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Conference participants will be better able to:

- Determine best practice treatments and therapies for autism.
- Effectively help families of children with autism.
- Gain understanding of the challenges and supports needed for families who have a child with a developmental disability and aggressive behavior.
- Support families of children who are technology dependent and have complex medical needs.

TARGET AUDIENCE

The ABC Conference is targeted to primary care practitioners who seek to improve care of children with autism, behavioral difficulties, and complex medical needs.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT DESIGNATION STATEMENT

The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine designates this live activity for a maximum of 7 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS/COMMERCIAL SUPPORT

A complete listing of commercial support will be provided in the conference materials.

CONFERENCE LOCATION

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REGISTRATION

The registration fee includes conference materials, continental breakfast, refreshment breaks and lunch.

[Register online by November 9, 2012](#)



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Time	Event
8:00am – 9:00am	Keynote Address: Policy on Toxic Stress <i>Mary Dobbins, MD, FAAP, Southern Illinois School of Medicine</i>
9:15am – 10:30am	Breakout Session 1
A	Top Down and Bottom Up Approach: Choosing the Best Therapies for Children with ASD <i>James Coplan, MD, FAAP, FCNS, Neurodevelopmental Pediatrics of the Main Line, PC</i>
B	Do No Harm: Impact of Medical Trauma and Strategies for Improved Care <i>Bradley Stolbach, PhD, Supervisor of Trauma-Related Psychological Services Project Director, Chicago Child Trauma Center, La Rabida Children's Hospital Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, The University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine</i>
C	The New DSCC Coordinated Care Program for All Children with Complex Medical Needs, how to make it work for your patients <i>Tom Jerkovitz, CPA, Director of the Division of Specialized Care for Children, University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago</i>
10:45am – 12:00pm	Breakout Session 2
A	Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology for Children with ASD <i>James Coplan, MD, FAAP, FCNS, Neurodevelopmental Pediatrics of the Main Line, PC</i>
B	How to Screen and Address Bullying in a Clinical Visit <i>Karen Bernstein, MD, Director of Adolescent Medicine, Lutheran General Children's Hospital</i>
C	How the DCFS Nurse Can Work With Your Team For The Children in Your Practice <i>Jerrilyn Pearson-Minor, Chief Nurse, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services</i>
12:15pm – 12:45pm	Lunch/Announcements/Networking
12:45pm – 1:45pm	Keynote Address: Enhancing Innate Ability of Young Brain to Heal: Gene-Environment Interaction <i>Sookyong Koh, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Lurie Children's Hospital</i>
2:00pm – 3:15pm	Breakout Session 3
A	Safety First: Home and Community Issues Regarding ASD and Aggressive Behavior <i>Eugene Bensinger, Mesirow Financial for Autism Speaks, Mike Carlson, Police Officer and First Responder Trainer & Mia McNary, Autism Speaks Chicagoland Chapter, Masters in Art Studio</i>
B	Management of Behavioral Problems in the Primary Care Office: Enuresis and Encopresis <i>Peter J. Smith, MD, MA, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, The University of Chicago</i>
C	How We Successfully Incorporated the Children Who Are Vent Dependent Into the Medical Home with the PCP <i>Jeffery Benson, MD, Assistant Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, Division Chair, University of Illinois, Peoria</i>
3:30pm – 4:15pm	Trauma-Informed Medical Home: Fostering Strengths & Resilience <i>Michele Lorand, MD, FAAP, Chair, Division of Child Protective Services, John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County</i>
4:15pm – 5:00pm	Town Hall, Panel Session / Closing Remarks

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