



# Autism Spectrum Disorder Educational Series

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Gain critical insights in this 6-part accredited webinar series on autism spectrum disorder (ASD). This educational series will give providers, health care professionals and caregivers a comprehensive overview with the goal of developing an understanding of the disorder and promoting optimal outcomes and compassionate care. This series is designed to meet the educational needs of case managers, counselors, educators, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, physicians, psychologists, social workers (all practice types), therapists and other health care professionals who have an interest in ASD.

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## Autism Spectrum Disorder Part III: Genetics and Autism

**Activity date/time:** Tuesday, August 7, 2018 | 1–2 p.m. ET (12–1 p.m. CT)

**Presenter:** Stephan J. Sanders, BMBS, PhD, Assistant Professor Department of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)

Stephan J. Sanders, BMBS, PhD, trained as a pediatric physician in the UK before pursuing a research career in genomics and bioinformatics. His research focuses on using genomics and bioinformatics to understand the etiology of human diseases and disorders, especially ASD, with a special interest in the mechanisms of sex bias.

### Learning objectives:

- Discuss the role of genetic and environmental factors that contribute to ASD.
- Identify a wide range of genetic variation involved in ASD including gene-gene and gene-environment interactions.
- Review the current status and key findings of genetic research in ASD.

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## Autism Spectrum Disorder Series Part IV: Treatment Strategies

**Activity date/time:** Tuesday, September 11, 2018 | 1–2 p.m. ET (12–1 p.m. CT)

**Presenters:** **Robin K. Blitz**, MD, Senior Medical Director, Special Needs Initiative, UnitedHealthcare. **Diana Davis-Wilson**, Doctor of Behavior Health, BCBA, LBA, Aspen Behavioral Consulting. **Jenna Turner**, M.Ed., M.S., CCC-SLP, Certified Speech-Language Pathologist, Pediatric Speech & Language Specialists, LLC

### Learning objectives:

- Discuss the different evidence-based treatments for ASD.
- Compare and contrast different types of applied behavioral analysis (ABA) therapy and relationship-development intervention.
- Identify different parent-mediated interventions.
- Determine the safety profiles of some complementary and alternative medicine for the treatment of ASD.
- Understand the role telehealth can play in the treatment of ASD.
- Explain the role and principles of ABA services as a form of treatment for children with ASD.

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**Autism Spectrum Disorder Series Part V: Dual Diagnosis of Down Syndrome and ASD:**

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 | 1–2 p.m. ET (12–1 p.m. CT)

**Autism Spectrum Disorder Series Part VI: Transition to Adult Care:**

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 | 1–2 p.m. ET (12–1 p.m. CT)

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**September 11 webcast:**  
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