



TRANSITIONS IN AUTISM

FROM PRESCHOOL TO ADULTHOOD

A Conference Presented by The Rich Center for Autism

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2017

8AM - 4PM

KILCAWLEY CENTER, YOUNGSTOWN STATE UNIVERSITY



ABOUT TRANSITIONS

About The Conference

Transitions are often difficult for people on the autism spectrum and their families. People with ASD usually rely on routines to navigate social situations, and a sudden schedule or lifestyle change, such as beginning school, graduating or starting a new job, can be very disruptive and discomfoting. This conference will focus on these pivotal transitions and will provide information, education, and real world experiences to help educators, parents, and other professionals best support students affected with ASD. This one day event will feature clinically trained professionals, parents, autism support providers.



Brenda Smith Myles Ph.D.

About The Keynote Speaker

Brenda Smith Myles Ph.D., a consultant with the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) and the Ziggurat Group, is the recipient of the Autism Society of America's Outstanding Professional Award, the Princeton Fellowship Award, The Global and Regional Asperger Syndrome (GRASP) Divine Neurotypical Award, American Academy of Pediatrics Autism Champion, and two-time recipient of the Council for Exceptional Children, Division on Developmental Disabilities Burton Blatt Humanitarian Award. She served as the editor of *Intervention in School and Clinic*, the third largest journal in special education and has been a member of the editorial board of several journals, including *Focus on Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities*, *Remedial and Special Education*, and *Autism: The International Journal of Research*. Brenda has made over 1000 presentations all over the world and written more than 250 articles and books on ASD. In addition, she served as the co-chair of the National ASD Teacher Standards Committee; was on the National Institute of Mental Health's Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee's Strategic Planning Consortium; and collaborated with the National Professional Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders, National Autism Center, and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services who identified evidenced based practices for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and served as Project Director for the Texas Autism Resource Guide for Teachers (TARGET). Myles is also on the executive boards of several organizations, including the Scientific Council of the Organization for Autism Research (SCORE), College Internship Program, Early Autism Risk Longitudinal Investigation Network, and ASTEP – Asperger Syndrome Training and Education Program. Further, in the latest survey conducted by the University of Texas, she was acknowledged as the second most productive applied researcher in ASD in the world.



ABOUT THE RICH CENTER



The Rich Center for Autism was established in 1995 through the collaborative efforts of the Kosar, Rich (Ricchiuti), and Rubino families who have a shared interest in autism. In collaboration with Youngstown State University, The Rich Center for Autism is located on the campus and functions as a not-for-profit under the auspices of the Youngstown State University. The mission of The Rich Center is to improve educational experiences and outcomes for individuals with autism and their families through teaching, research, and community engagement.

The Rich Center for Autism will serve as a lasting tribute to the memory of Paula and Anthony Rich and their unborn child whose lives were tragically ended in a plane crash outside of Pittsburgh on September 8, 1994. It is the founders' dream that from this terrible tragedy will spring hope for those affected by autism.

By combining current research about autism with the newest and most innovative theories in education, The Rich Center for Autism offers hope that children affected with autism can reach their full potential. Therefore, the primary emphasis is on teaching and research as well as focusing on the intensive training to children with autism. Like autism, The Rich Center has no geographic boundary and touches children of any socio-economic background and culture. Children are enrolled in our programs regardless of the ability to pay. Therapies, education, and support are provided tuition free.



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Vendor Fee - \$250

Includes: 2 conference registrations, 8' table with 2 chairs, social media endorsement, product/literature placement in swag bag.

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VENDOR AGREEMENT

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Send check to:

The Rich Center for Autism

Attn: Bergen Giordani

One University Plaza

Youngstown, OH 44555

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Conference Rates:

- Parent - \$50
 - Professional or Educator - \$75
 - Student – Complimentary
 - Adult with Disability – Complimentary
- Early Bird Discount of \$50 if registered prior to June 1, 2017
Registration is required for all attendees, regardless of rate.*

REGISTRATION FORM:

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Attendee Name _____

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Phone _____ Email _____

Conference Rate: _____

To register multiple attendees, please fill in the total amount due and list the attendee names on a separate page.

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Attn: Bergen Giordani
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Youngstown, OH 44555
- PO#** _____
- Credit Card**
CC # _____
Expiration Date: _____
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