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# 2020 Transition Conference Schedule

**Registration/Exhibits** ..... 8:00am to 9:00am

**Keynote** ..... 9:00am to 10:00am

**Exhibits** ..... 10:00am to 10:20am

**Session A** ..... 10:20am to 11:50am

**Lunch/Exhibits** ..... 11:50am to 12:50pm

**Lunch & Learn** ..... 12:00pm to 12:40pm

**Session B** ..... 12:50pm to 2:20pm

**Session C** ..... 2:30pm to 4:00pm



Bagels will be outside of the Garden State Ballroom until 9:30am. Coffee and tea will be available there all day. Enjoy!

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**Presenter Bios** ..... [www.autismnj.org/transition](http://www.autismnj.org/transition)



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Venue Map





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**Keynote**..... 9:00am to 10:00am

**Welcome Remarks • Garden State Ballroom**

Suzanne Buchanan, Psy.D., BCBA-D; *Executive Director, Autism New Jersey*  
Michele Adubato, M.A., MSW; *CEO, Newark's North Ward Center*  
Roger León; *Superintendent, Newark Board of Education*

**Making the Most of DDD Services • Garden State Ballroom**

Nkechi Okoli, MSW, LSW; *NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities*

This keynote address will recommend steps for achieving a complete and satisfied life as an individual with autism transitions into adulthood. In addition to this “RECIPE,” the effective use of the DDD budget and services will be discussed. Additional topics will include the relationship between Medicaid eligibility and program eligibility, available Medicaid waiver services, how support brokerage can help when pursuing self-direction, and how goods and services can provide a one-of-a-kind experience that appeals to the individual person.



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**1) The Importance of Independence and Interdependence in Adolescents and Adults • Garden State Ballroom • BACB**

Anya Silver, M.A., BCBA, *Hofstra University* and Lauren Goodwyn, M.A., BCBA; both *Quality Services for the Autism Community*

One of the greatest challenges is promoting independence in the individuals we serve so that they can live the best quality of life possible. However, the sometimes overlooked area of interdependence may be even more crucial for success in daily life. Individuals with autism may attempt to behave independently when they actually would be better served by accessing others to help them to solve a problem. The relevance of independence and interdependence will be discussed across a number of domains such as social skills, communication, vocational, leisure, health and safety, and daily living skills.

**2) Building Compliant and Effective Transition Plans • Essex Ballroom**



*As you may be aware, friend of Autism New Jersey and the workshop's planned speaker, Ira Fingles, Esq., passed away suddenly on January 20. We thank Ira's friend and colleague, Hillary Freeman, Esq. of Freeman Law Offices for filling in as presenter for this workshop on short notice.*

Many of the problems that educators, parents, and others involved in the educational process face can be avoided by simply ensuring strict compliance with the procedures and rules about how to develop students' IEPs. These rules are structured and sequenced to build off of one another and to lead the IEP team to the correct result. Learn the mandatory components of an appropriate transition plan; the function of each in the student's educational experience; how they build upon one another and other IEP components; transition planning myth vs. reality; and best practices for developing compliant and effective transition plans.

**3) Medication Boot Camp: A Behavior Analyst's Guide to Psychotropic Medications • Mercer/Salem/Warren Ballroom • APA • BACB**

Anna Marie DiPietro, MSN, CRNP, PMHNP-BC, *Open Road Psychiatric Services* and Suzanne Buchanan, Psy.D., BCBA-D, *Autism New Jersey*

This workshop will provide a review of psychotropic medication classes, including new medications that have come to market, with a focus on how to evaluate the effects of medications from a behavior analytic perspective. The topic of genetic testing and its potential utility in the prescription of psychotropic medication will also be discussed. Educational content will be presented by a psychiatric prescriber with experience working with individuals with high-risk challenging behavior and behavior analysts.

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## Autism NJ Transition Conference

## Lunch/Exhibits ..... 11:50am to 12:50pm

**A variety of boxed lunches will be outside of each workshop room after Session A.** Dining tables are in the Garden State Ballroom. Coffee and tea will be available in both exhibit areas throughout the conference.

**Please be sure to visit all of the exhibits** throughout the conference areas on the 1st and 3rd floors.

## Lunch & Learn ..... 12:00pm to 12:40pm

### **Licensure for Behavior Analysts: Now That It's Law, What's Next?** • Mercer/Salem/Warren Ballroom

Suzanne Buchanan, Psy.D., BCBA-D and Eric Eberman, M.S.Ed.; *Autism New Jersey*

This session will offer an opportunity for behavior analysts to learn more about the New Jersey law and what they can expect going forward. We will provide an overview of the details of the law, talk about the timeframes for establishing the board and regulations, address frequently asked questions, and participate in a Q&A.



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## **Session B** ..... 12:50pm to 2:20pm

### **4) Key Questions When Selecting or Creating a Program for Individuals with Challenging Behavior • Garden State Ballroom • BACB**

Lisa McCauley Parles, Esq., *Parles Rekem & National Council on Severe Autism* and Alexandra Held, M.S.Ed., BCBA, *Elwyn*

This workshop will address components of programs for individuals with autism and severe challenging behaviors in an effort to create collaborative and effective programs. It is intended to assist caregivers in selecting programs and to support professionals seeking to create models well suited to this population. National initiatives and housing models will be presented along with a discussion of state and federal regulations. Topics will include the role of BCBAs; tracking progress for both behavior support plans and skill acquisition programs; video recording for monitoring and training purposes; parental engagement and rights; and innovative construction design.

### **5) Addressing the Unique Legal and Financial Needs of Youth with Special Needs and Their Families • Mercer/Salem/Warren Ballroom**

Amy Frank Goldman, CRPC, *AFG Wealth Management* and Michelle Scanlon, Esq., *Mandelbaum Salsburg*

Whether managing a new diagnosis or simply maintaining the day-to-day responsibilities of life with a child with special needs, one of the most overlooked topics is estate planning. Do you have a clear understanding of how your child(ren) will be cared for in your absence? Have you considered drafting a will or a special needs trust but the process seems so overwhelming? Join us for an interactive discussion on what other families have done, what some of the different options are, and the easiest ways to get the process started. We will be discussing special needs trusts, power of attorneys, healthcare directives, guardianship, and more.

### **6) Cultivating Business Partnerships to Provide Meaningful Work-Related Experiences • Essex Ballroom**

John Bryson, M.S.Ed., CESP, *NEXT for AUTISM*; Danielle Taylor, Psy.D. and Devin Hosbach; *Spectrum 360*

Effectively preparing students for life after graduation is one of the fundamental priorities of secondary education. Creating meaningful, relevant pre-employment and employment experiences while students are still in school can assist with their successful transition into adult life. However, this requires community partnerships with businesses and employers that understand the unique strengths and needs of our learners. Participants will learn strategies to establish and maintain meaningful business relationships. The entire process, from initial contact to maintaining positive connections, will be outlined through examples of successful school-corporate collaborations.

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**7) Adults with Autism Using Technology: Support for Promoting Independence and Quality of Life • Mercer/Salem/Warren**

**Ballroom • APA • BACB**

Thomas Zane, Ph.D., BCBA-D, *University of Kansas*

Adults with autism and other developmental disabilities often need supportive systems to maintain, to the greatest extent possible, independence, choice, and integration into their communities. The current (and future) sophistication of technology lends itself to providing support in areas that in the past had to be supplied completely by staff. This workshop will review a variety of technological solutions to everyday situations that often are important to solve with individuals with ASD. Data will be presented to demonstrate evaluations of some technology designed to be used in innovative ways.

**8) Your Child Turned 18: Now What? • Garden State Ballroom**

Gabrielle Bohon, Esq. and Raymond Falcon, Jr., Esq.; *Falcon Law Group*

Once your child turns 18, the rules change. First, the child is legally emancipated, which means that schools, doctors and financial institutions shouldn't talk with you. Do you need guardianship, Power of Attorney and Advanced Health Care Directive? We will walk you through other programs that may be available, such as Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Medicaid, Social Security Disability (SSD), and Social Security Childhood Disability Benefits (also known as Disabled Adult Child benefits). We will also look at a number of alternate paths and the government services that are available, such as 504 Plans, NJ Children's System of Care, Division of Developmental Disabilities, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Project SEARCH, and adult day programs. We will provide some practical tips on dealing with these issues.

**9) Organizations Offering Social Opportunities • Essex Ballroom**

Meaghan Flemming Buck, *Spectrum of South Jersey*; Justin Dunn, CPRP, *Monmouth County Park System Therapeutic Recreation Division*; Beth Finkelstein, Ed.M., *Felicity House*; Lauren Turiello, *The Social Scene Club*; Jody Wood, *Special Kind of Improvisational Theater*; and Ross Yellin, *Disability Allies*

Social gatherings and groups are important yet often hard-to-find resources for teens and adults with ASD. Panelists represent organizations that offer a variety of structured and unstructured leisure opportunities, ranging from specific instruction or skill enrichment to simply safe places to hang out. Through diverse activities such as game nights, dances, trips, sports, drama, special interest clubs, and more, they strive to foster independence, socialization, skill application, and most importantly, enjoyment. Panel questions will address successes and challenges, starting a group, funding, staff training, and more.



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<b>Children's Specialized Hospital/ SPARK</b> www.SPARKforAutism.org/CSH	<i>Autism research study sponsored by Simons Foundation</i> Mountainside, NJ
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<b>Hawkswood School</b> www.hawkswoodschool.net	<i>School</i> Eatontown, NJ
<b>Jespy House</b> www.jespyhouse.org	<i>Residential and transition services</i> South Orange, NJ
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<b>NJ Division of Developmental Disabilities</b> <a href="http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd">www.nj.gov/humanservices/ddd</a>	<i>NJ's service delivery system for individuals with I/DD</i> Trenton, NJ
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<b>Pasadena Villa: The Stables</b> <a href="http://www.autismcareandsupport.com">www.autismcareandsupport.com</a>	<i>Behavioral health</i> Sevierville, TN
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<b>PrimeTime Center - RKS Associates</b> <a href="http://www.primetimecenter.org">www.primetimecenter.org</a>	<i>Day habilitation services</i> Carteret, NJ
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<b>Skylands Family Services</b> <a href="http://www.skylandsfamilyservices.com">www.skylandsfamilyservices.com</a>	<i>Support coordination</i> Washington, NJ
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<b>Spectrum Works</b> <a href="http://www.spectrumworks.org">www.spectrumworks.org</a>	<i>Transition services</i> Secaucus, NJ



<b>Summit Camp</b> www.summitcamp.com	<i>Summer transition program</i> Honesdale, PA
<b>Supportive Choices</b> www.supportivechoices.com	<i>Support coordination</i> Nutley, NJ
<b>Talent Assessment, Inc.</b> www.talentassessment.com	<i>Transition planning programs</i> Jacksonville, FL
<b>Union County Educational Services Commission</b> www.projectsearch.us	<i>High school transition program</i> Westfield, NJ
<b>Values into Action NJ</b> www.vianj.org	<i>Support coordination</i> Media, PA
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