

Autism Senior Therapist Training Workshop

at Guildford Library

a one day workshop on the implementation of behavioural autism treatment

Families for Early Autism Treatment of British Columbia (F.E.A.T. of B.C.) is sponsoring a 1-day workshop on the behavioural treatment of autism spectrum disorders based on techniques of Lovaas-style Applied Behaviour Analysis. This workshop will focus on both Training and Staff Management issues. Video footage will also be used to illustrate topics being discussed. We will have interactive groups and instructional time on each of the following issues:

Topics to be covered:

This workshop will include basic terminology and theory of Lovaas-style ABA, with a focus on:

- Training New Instructors
- Providing ongoing training through both team meetings and overlapping team members
- Role Playing difficult scenarios and how to handle these in a professional, effective manner
- How to providing effective feedback to team members (home and school teams)
- Team accountability

Who can benefit from this workshop:

- present and potential SENIOR behavioural therapists
- parents are always welcome and encouraged to attend

About the Workshop Leaders...

The early autism intervention training workshop is conducted by two Senior behavioural instructors. The workshop leaders have a broad range of experience in the behavioural treatment of children with autism. Collectively their experience spans many teams and individualized programs for children from 18 months to 16 years of age.

Together their experience includes training numerous new therapists, overlapping and providing ongoing training for established teams, training and overlapping with school aides, working as school aides, designing individualized data collection methods, training and overlapping senior instructors as well as providing ongoing training for senior instructors, leading training workshops and overlapping junior instructors.

Theresa Tournemille, B.A.

Senior Behavioural Instructor

Ms Tournemille is a Senior Behavioural Instructor and holds a Bachelors Degree in Psychology from U.C.F.V. She is currently completing requirements to gain entry into a Masters of Applied Behaviour Analysis program, to achieve the goal of becoming a Board Certified Behavioural Consultant. In her over 5 years of experience, Theresa has worked with clients that are both verbal and non verbal; with beginning, intermediate and advanced learners as well as a range of difficult behaviour profiles. Her areas of interest include: systematic data collection, logbook organization and protocol, comprehensive yet highly efficient initial and ongoing training of team members. She is especially interested in the creation of novel organizational systems (based on client/team needs) for programs and stimuli, as well as

improving quality and consistency of therapy delivery. Her experience with clients includes involvement in both the public and private school sectors. Ms Tournemille is also an active volunteer for Autism Canada. Ms Tournemille has had the opportunity to work with over 17 clients and learn from 11 different consultants, including Dr Richard Foxx.

Michelle Karren, B.A. (Honours)

Senior Behavioural Instructor

Ms. Karren has been working as a Senior Behavioural Instructor for 6 years, and is currently a Program Supervisor. In addition, she is presently working on a Masters of Science in Applied Behaviour Analysis. Ms. Karren's experience includes working with over 8 different consultants and 16 children with ages ranging from 20 months – 11 years of age. Ms. Karren has experience with children with severe and challenging behaviours, children with multiple diagnosis as well as both verbal and non verbal children, spanning a wide range of abilities. Her work experience includes working in a variety of classrooms as both Teaching Aide and Overlap Instructor. Ms. Karren has a keen interest in the application of ABA principles to teaching ABA practices and continues to work on developing teaching tools for training new instructors, providing additional ongoing training for team members, training for the role of Senior Instructor as well as effective team management. Ms. Karren is also the parent of a child with autism who is in a successful ABA program. As both instructor and parent, she has a unique perspective of having seen both sides of a program and is able to help therapists and parents to better understand and appreciate the challenges each face.

The Autism Behavioural Therapist Training Workshop is sponsored by **Families for Early Autism Treatment of British Columbia (F.E.A.T. of B.C.)**, at Guildford Library.

- **Workshop location:** Guildford Library, 15105 - 105 Avenue, Surrey, B.C.
- **Workshop Date:** Saturday, March 25th, 2006
- **Time:** 10:15 am to 4:45 pm. Time is available to purchase lunch at or near the library.
- **Registration:** please mail the registration form on the reverse of this page with payment to **F.E.A.T. of B.C.** **Please reserve early — space is limited to 30 people.**
- **Cost:** \$35 per person (parking is free)



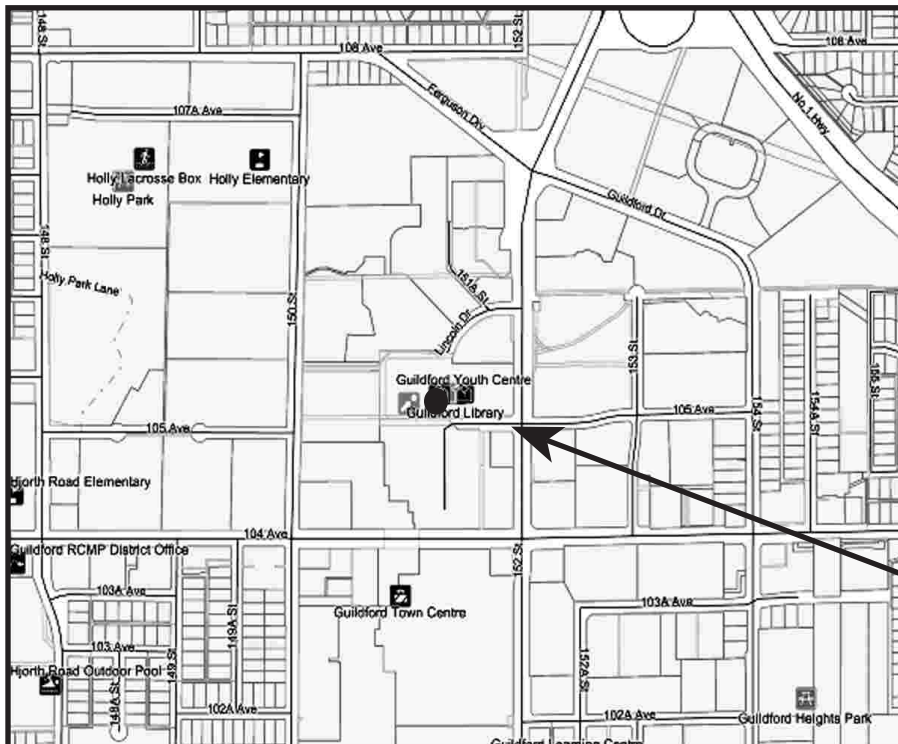
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NOTE: The Autism Intermediate Behavioural Therapist Workshop has been designed for training in the practical aspects of behavioural autism treatment only. The workshop does not include any instruction on how to design individual programs.

Autism Senior Therapist Training Workshop at Guildford -- Directions

Guildford Library Area Map, 15105 - 105 Avenue, Surrey, B.C.



From Vancouver and the North Shore take Highway 1 east to the 152nd Street Exit. At this point, you are travelling along 152nd Street. Turn right on 105th Avenue until you reach the library which is on your right hand side.

From Langley, and the rest of the Fraser Valley take Hwy 1 West to the 160th Street/104th Ave Exit over the freeway. At this point, you are travelling along 104th Avenue. Turn right on 152nd Street until 105th Avenue. Turn left on 105th Avenue until you reach the library on your right.

From Coquitlam, Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows and Mission. Cross the Port Mann Bridge going East to the 152nd Street Exit. At this point, you are travelling along 152nd Street. Turn right on 105th Avenue until you reach the library which is on your right hand side.

Skytrain: Disembark at the Surrey Central Station and get the bus to Guildford Shopping Centre.

The Guildford Library Meeting Room can be accessed either through the library, or through a separate entrance on the west side of the building.

Autism Senior Therapist Training at Guildford Library. -- Reservation Form

■ Reservations can be made by mail with payment of \$35 per person

I would like to attend the FEAT BC therapists' workshop on Saturday, March 25, 2006

Information about me:

Name: _____ Phone: () _____
 Address: _____ Fax: () _____
 _____ e-mail: _____

Are you:

Currently a Senior Therapist? ___ If yes, on how many teams? ___

A Senior Therapist in Training? ___ If yes, on how many teams? ___

A Parent? ___

Workshop space is limited to 30 attendees -- please reserve early

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