Innovative Interventions for Children and Youth on the Autism Spectrum

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Dr. Strickland is the Director of the Division of Services for Children with Special Healthcare Needs (DSCSHN) in the Health Resources and Services Administration’s (HRSA) Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB). The Division provides national leadership for programs serving all children, youth, and adults with special health care needs, and facilitates the development of comprehensive community-based systems of services by assuring: (1) family professional partnership and cultural competence, (2) access to care through the medical home, (3) early and continuous screening, (4) appropriate financing for health and related services, (5) community service integration, and (6) transition to adult health care, work, and independence. This systems framework also supports a national system of programs designed to improve access to newborn screening and genetic services. The Division also supports several condition-specific demonstration programs within this systems framework including Sickle Cell Disease, Hemophilia, Thalassemia, Traumatic Brain Injury; Early Hearing Detection and Intervention; Autism Spectrum Disorder, and Epilepsy.

Dr. Strickland is the author of many publications and presentations related to children and youth with special health care needs, and serves on numerous interagency committees to promote systems of care for children and youth with special health care needs. She is also plays a key leadership role in the development and implementation of the National Survey of Children with Special Health Care Needs (NS-CSHCN, which provides state and national data for performance measurement, quality improvement, and reporting progress toward the national Healthy People 2020 Objectives.
Susan Hepburn, Ph.D.,
Associate Professor, Depts. of Psychiatry & Pediatrics, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

Susan Hepburn is a clinical psychologist and Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. As Director of Research for JFK Partners (which is the University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities serving the Rocky Mountain region), she oversees the diagnostic qualification and family recruitment activities for several projects, focusing her own work on developing, evaluating and disseminating interventions for school-aged youth with ASD. Working primarily in schools and with families, Dr. Hepburn has been exploring novel ways of supporting evidence-based practice in rural areas.
Scott Lindgren, Ph.D., is a pediatric psychologist and Professor of Pediatrics in the University of Iowa Children’s Hospital and the Carver College of Medicine. He holds a B.A. from Yale University and a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Iowa. His current clinical, teaching, and research activities are focused on child neuropsychology, brain injuries, autism spectrum disorders, disability and health, and the prevention of disabilities, and he is the Co-PI on NIH- and MCH-supported research grants that are studying the effects of behavioral interventions for autism provided through telehealth. Dr. Lindgren is Associate Director for Program Development for Iowa’s University Center for Excellence on Disabilities and is the Psychology Training Director for Iowa’s Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) program. He is currently Chair of the Iowa Prevention of Disabilities Policy Council and Co-Director of the UI Children’s Hospital Autism Center.
Presenter

Connie Kasari, Ph.D.,
Professor, University of California, Los Angeles

Connie Kasari, Ph.D. is Professor of Psychological Studies in Education and Psychiatry at UCLA, where she is the Principal Investigator for several multi-site research programs, including the Autism Intervention Research Network for Behavioral Health funded by HRSA and the Characterizing Cognition in Nonverbal Individuals with Autism Intervention network by Autism Speaks. She received her Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and was a NIMH postdoctoral fellow at the Neuropsychiatric Institute at UCLA. Since 1990 she has been on the faculty at UCLA where she teaches both graduate and undergraduate courses, and has been the primary advisor to more than 30 PhD students. She is a founding member of the Center for Autism Research and Treatment at UCLA and has been actively involved in autism research for the past 25 years, leading projects under the CPEA, STAART, and Autism Centers of Excellence programs from NIH. Her current research focuses on developing targeted interventions for early social communication development in at risk infants, toddlers and preschoolers with autism, and peer relationships for school aged children with autism. She is involved in several randomized controlled trials, with her most recent work involving multi-site studies for interventions aimed at underserved and under-represented populations of children with autism. She has published widely on topics related to social, emotional, and communication development and intervention in autism. She is on the treatment advisory board of the Autism Speaks Foundation, and regularly presents to both academic and practitioner audiences locally, nationally and internationally.
Daniel L. Coury, MD

Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry, The Ohio State University and Chief, Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Nationwide Children's Hospital

Daniel Coury, MD is Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry in the College of Medicine at The Ohio State University. He also serves as chief of the Section of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, and Administrative Medical Director for Behavioral Health for Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. He has served on the Sub-board on Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics of the American Board of Pediatrics, and as a member of the *Bright Futures* Education Center advisory committee. He has also served on the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology Steering Committee for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. Dr. Coury is a Past President of the Ambulatory Pediatric Association and Past President of the Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics. He currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Council of Pediatric Subspecialties; the Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Maintenance of Certification sub-committee of the American Board of Pediatrics; on the Advisory Panel to the DSM-V Development Process and on the Autism Sub-Committee of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

His current academic focus is in his role as Medical Director for the Autism Treatment Network, a network of hospitals and physicians dedicated to developing a model of comprehensive medical care for children and adolescents with autism.
The Combating Autism Act Initiative (CAAI) Webinar Series

The CAAI webinar series, *Research to Practice*, showcases successes of CAAI grantees, connects attendees to CAAI grantees, and highlights CAAI activities. The series runs from April through August 2012 and replaces the annual face-to-face CAAI conference. Webinars are targeted to CAAI grantees, but open to all.

**Webinar 1: Results from an Evaluation of the Combating Autism Act Initiative**  
*HRSA's Efforts to Improve Autism Spectrum Disorders Service Delivery through Research, Training and State Implementation Grants*

**Held:** April 16, 2012  
**Speakers & Moderators:**
- Deidre Washington-Jones, MPH, CHES, U.S. Public Health Service, Senior Public Health Analyst/Program Director, Division of Services for Children with Special Health Needs, Maternal and Child Health Bureau
- Laura Kavanagh, MPP, Director, Division of MCH Workforce Development, Maternal and Child Health Bureau
- Claire Wilson, Anne Peterson and Brittney McGill, Insight Policy Research


**Webinar 2: Improving Family Involvement for Children & Youth with Autism Spectrum Disorders through the Combating Autism Act Initiative**

**Held:** May 14, 2012  
**Speakers & Moderators:**
- Fran Goldfarb, MA, MCHES, Family Support Director, University of Southern California, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles
- Amy Hess, Autism Treatment Network Site Coordinator, Nationwide Children’s Hospital
- Timothy Markle, CYSHCN Outreach Specialist, Wisconsin Department of Health

Archive: [http://www.amchp.org/programsandtopics/CYSHCN/projects/spharc/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.amchp.org/programsandtopics/CYSHCN/projects/spharc/Pages/default.aspx)

**Webinar 3: Identification and Diagnosis of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders**

**Date:** June 13, 2012  
**Time:** 3:30-5:00p EDT

**Speakers & Moderators:**
- Zachary Warren, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry, Vanderbilt Kennedy Center
- Laura J McGuinn, MD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
- Bruno Anthony, Ph.D., Professor & Director of Research & Evaluation, Georgetown University
- Pasquale J. Accardo, M.D., James H. Franklin Professor of Developmental Research in Pediatrics, VCU Child Development Clinic, Virginia Commonwealth University
- Laura Kavanagh, MPP, Director, Division of MCH Workforce Development, Maternal and Child Health Bureau
- Hilory Liccini, M.S, Project Director, Great Plains Autism Spectrum Disorders Treatment Program (GPAST), Support Autism in North Dakota (SAND)
- John Miles, Project CASCADE Principal Investigator, Autism Society of Colorado

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Webinar 4: Innovative Interventions for Children on the Autism Spectrum

Date: July 17, 2012
Time: 3:30-5:00p EDT

Speakers & Moderator:
- **Daniel L. Coury, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry, The Ohio State University and Chief, Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Nationwide Children’s Hospital, Columbus, Ohio
- **Bonnie Strickland, PhD**, Director, Division of Services for CSHCN, MCHB, HRSA
- **Susan Hepburn, PhD**, Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Pediatrics, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus
- **Scott Lindgren, PhD**, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, Carver College of Medicine, The University of Iowa Children’s Hospital Autism Center
- **Connie Kasari, PhD**, Professor, The University of California, Los Angeles

Archive Available Soon

Webinar 5: Service Delivery for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Date: August 22, 2012
Time: 2:00-3:30p EDT
Registration: Coming Soon!
Additional MCHB-Funded Centers with Autism Resources

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
www.aap.org (search autism)

Institute for Community Inclusion
http://www.communityinclusion.org/ (search autism)
http://www.communityinclusion.org/project.php?project_id=59

Catalyst Center
http://hdwg.org/catalyst/ (search autism)
http://www.amchp.org/programsandtopics/CYSHCN/resources/Documents/ACA_AutismFactSheet_5-3-12.pdf

National Center for Medical Home Implementation
www.medicalhomeinfo.org
http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org/how/care_delivery/cyshcn.aspx