

16TH ANNUAL NADD STATE OF OHIO IDD/MI CONFERENCE

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SEPTEMBER 24 & 25, 2018 | RENAISSANCE COLUMBUS HOTEL | WESTERVILLE, OHIO

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Administrators • Psychologists • Direct Support Professionals • Physicians
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KEYNOTE ADDRESS PRESENTERS



Shelley Watson, PhD

Shelley Watson is a Professor at Laurentian University and Acting Associate Vice-President, Learning and Teaching, with a PhD in Educational Psychology. Her research focuses on intellectual disability and human rights issues, with specific emphasis on sexuality and abuse prevention. She has created specialized courses on disability issues and teaches within the Psychology and Interdisciplinary Health programs. Shelley is a point person for assisting agencies with policies and practices to help prevent abuse as well as training for sexual abuse prevention.



Kathryn Spergel, LISW-S

Kathryn Spergel, LISW has thirty-eight plus years' public behavioral health care experience including expertise in administration, management, planning, and funding; public policy development; mental health and addiction treatment and prevention including specialization with crisis, trauma, homeless, and high risk populations; and advocacy.

DAY ONE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

8-9 am REGISTRATION

9-9:30 am WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Jeanne Farr, MA NADD CEO; Mark Hurst, MD Director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS); John Martin, Director of Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD).

9:30-10:30 am KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Reframing Stigma Toward Individuals with IDD/MI and their Families

Drawing on Dr. Watson's research with families of individuals who have disabilities, clinical experience with agencies around challenging sexual behavior and abuse prevention, research with medical professionals about their knowledge and attitudes toward disability, as well as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) prevention work, this presentation will discuss stigma surrounding various disabilities and how we can work together to reduce the negative perceptions of individuals with disabilities and their families.

Shelley Watson, PhD, Centre for Academic Excellence, Laurentian University, Sudbury, ON, CAN

10:30-10:45 am BREAK

10:45 am-12:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS I

SESSION 1:

Diagnosis and Treatment of Borderline Personality Disorder

Some persons with borderline personality disorder (BPD) may be misdiagnosed with schizophrenia or with bipolar disorder, resulting in poor treatment response. This presentation reviews the proposed diagnostic criteria for BPD for persons with ID, psychopharmacological treatment, and cognitive-behavior therapy (CBT).

Zev Goldberg, PhD; Jeff Marinko-Shrivers, PhD; Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Columbus, OH

SESSION 2:

Ohio Employment First Taskforce—Six Years of Progress

The Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities and Ohio Department of Mental Health Addictions Services will review the progress of the Employment First Taskforce that was created in 2012. The taskforce is charged with expanding community employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

Stacy Collins, MSW, Policy and Strategic Direction, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Columbus, OH; Zandia Galvin, Office of Treatment and Recovery, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Columbus, OH

SESSION 3:

Functional Behavior Assessments (FBA's) to Advance Quality of Life

Information obtained via FBA's can provide guidelines for interventions that advance the quality of life for individuals who have a profound intellectual disability and mental health concerns.

Michael May, EdD, LPC, BCBA, NADD-CC, ICF, Merakey, Trevose, PA

12:15-1:45 pm LUNCH (Attendees on Own)

1:45-3:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS II

SESSION 4:

Risk Assessment for Challenging Behaviors in Those with Intellectual Disability (ID)

Individuals with ID and challenging behaviors pose many threats related to impulsive choices in the areas of sexuality, fire setting, anger, and the use of the internet. There is an increased need for effective risk assessment to guide decision making on treatment teams. These assessments need to be thorough and target aspects of intellectual functioning, risk of offending, and mental health. This presentation will highlight helpful assessment tools and common problems faced by teams with this population. The risk for sexual offenses is common and the need for sexual education ever increasing. Several case studies will be presented to illustrate the need for effective assessment and increased staff education.

Randy Shively, PhD, Alvis, Columbus, OH

SESSION 5:

Trauma Informed Behavior Support

Incorporating a trauma informed approach into behavior support assessment and strategies to decrease frequency and intensity of dangerous behaviors. Discussion will include collaboration with mental health agencies, and success stories.

Nikki Watts, MA; Lynn Feils LISW, Adult Behavior Support Services, The Ohio State University Nisonger Center, Columbus OH; Nikole Loew, LPCC-S, DD, Netcare Access, Columbus, OH

SESSION 6:

Disability Education for Police and First Responders

Police officers in communities where we provide services become default responders to mental health crises. It's up to us, as provider agencies, to educate first responders on those we serve. Leave this Train the Trainer session with a training you can take to your local police/fire departments to get these informative and necessary conversations started.

Shannon Benaitis, PHR, Albatross Training Solutions, Darien, IL

3:15-3:30 pm BREAK

3:30-5 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS III

SESSION 7:

Pharmacogenomics: Are We There Yet?

Pharmacogenomics (how an individual's genes predicts response to medications) promises personalized psychopharmacology and could greatly benefit persons with IDD treated with psychotropic medications. The question is, does it really help?

Stephen Ruedrich, MD; Thomas Scheidmantel, MD, Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine University Hospitals of Cleveland, Cleveland, OH; Amelia Polzella APRN-CNP; Department of Psychiatry University Hospitals of Cleveland, Cleveland, OH; Allison Cowan, MD, Boonshoft School of Medicine, Wright State University, Dayton, OH

SESSION 8:

Understanding Risk and Protective Factors

Risk and protective factors play an important role in mental wellness and functioning. Whole person-centered care requires us to understand how to identify and balance these factors.

Jessica Hamlyn, LCSW, NADD-CC, Connixions, Meridian Health Services, Portland, IN

SESSION 9:

Transition and the Youth with ASD

Transition to adulthood is an exciting and important time in the life of all youth, including youth with autism spectrum disorder. However, unique strengths and challenges require careful planning. This session will highlight potential needs and provide strategies and resources for planning and support.

Chris Filler, RN, BSN, Lifespan Transitions Center, OCALI, Columbus, OH

5-5:15 pm Day 1 Concludes.

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DAY TWO: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

8:15-9 am REGISTRATION

9-9:15 am OPENING REMARKS

Jeanne Farr, MA NADD CEO

9:15-10:15 am KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Licking-Knox Mobile Kids' Crisis Team

The Licking-Knox Kids' Mobile Crisis Team addresses the critical issues faced by families with youth (target population ages 8-24) in crisis, especially those not served in a system of care, who present a risk to themselves, their families, or others due to mental illness and/or developmental disabilities. Its' success is due to the commitment of consumer and family centered services and collaborative partnerships.

Kathryn Spergel, LISW-S, Mental Health & Recovery for Licking and Knox Counties, Newark, OH

10:15-10:45 am BREAK

10:45 am-12:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS I

SESSION 1:

Autism and Juvenile Justice

Understanding the neurological differences of youth with autism in the justice system will minimize meltdowns, aggression, and trauma. The right techniques can make the system rehabilitative rather than only punishing.

Sandra McClennen, PhD, Ohio License for Independent Practice, Psychologist Psychological Supervisor, Oberlin, OH

SESSION 2:

Reducing Restraints Through Trauma Informed Care

As the IDD/MH service delivery system continues to adopt trauma-informed practices, providers are discovering reduced need for the use of physical restraint. We will share the anecdotal experience of several professionals in reducing the use of physical restraint while supporting people who have intense needs and connect the philosophies that drive holistic approaches with practical actions that can help teams reduce the use of physical restraint for the people that they support.

Bradley Wyner, NADD-DDS, Rose-Mary, Cleveland, OH; Andy Swaisgood, Jason Young, Wood Lane Residential, Bowling Green, OH

SESSION 3:

Behavioral Assessment/Intervention in Mental Health

This presentation will discuss the role of comorbid psychiatric disorder in the assessment and treatment of target needs and its role in symptom presentation.

Vanessa Rodriguez, PhD, BCBA-D; Brittany Kauscher, MA; Melinda Thurman, MA, BCBA, Nisonger Center, Columbus, OH

12:15-1:45 pm LUNCH (Attendees on Own)

1:45-3:15 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS II

SESSION 4:

Mental Illness and Intellectual Disabilities Teams

According to the DM-ID (2007), individuals with intellectual disabilities have been estimated to be 2 to 4 times more likely than those in the general population to experience psychiatric disorders. Therefore, balancing services from each system is of the utmost importance to help the dually diagnosed individual be most successful in their communities. This presentation will explore how two counties have formed and maintained their MIID Teams, and lessons learned along the way.

Justin Madison, MAEd; Stephanie Ann Kutcher, Mental Health and Recovery Services of Stark County, Canton, OH; Rose Morgan, Stark County Board of DD, Canton, OH; Michele Myerholtz, Lucas County of DD, Toledo, OH; Tricia White, Lucas County Sheriff's Office, Toledo, Ohio; Robert Kasprzak, OCPST, Mental Health & Recovery Services, Lucas County, Monroe, MI

SESSION 5:

NADD Certification and Accreditation Programs

This session will provide a comprehensive overview of NADD Certification and Accreditation programs, presented by the NADD CEO Emeritus and by the co-chair of the NADD Specialist Sub-committee. It will cover agency accreditation requirements, and individual certification for independently licensed clinicians, specialists, and Direct Support Professionals.

Michael Schroeder, NADD-DDS, MI/DD Retiree, Westerville, OH; Robert Fletcher, DSW, NADD-CC, CEO Emeritus, NADD, Kingston, NY

SESSION 6:

Opioid Overdoses and Other DODD Analysis

DODD utilizes administrative, survey, and claims data to provide insight into how MI affects the individuals we serve. Topics include opioid deaths, psychiatric inpatient utilization, and quality of life indicators.

Hope McGonigle, PhD; Abby Hammond, MPH; Arati Sharma, DVM, MPH; Joslyn Tijerina, MPH; Rachel Blick, MHA, MA, Medicaid Health System; Office of Data, Analytics and Research, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Columbus, OH

3:15-3:30 pm BREAK

3:30-5 pm CONCURRENT SESSIONS III

SESSION 7:

Intervention, Quality of Life, and ASD

In two separate studies, the OSU Nisonger Center's Research Unit evaluated probiotics and essential oils for improving life quality in ASD. We will share the results in two 45-minute presentations.

Jill Ann Hollway, PhD, MA; Cheryl Li, BS, Clinical Trials Unit, Columbus, OH; Adelina Jeffs, BS, Clinical Trials Unit, The Ohio State University Nisonger Center, UCEDD, Columbus, OH; L. Eugene Arnold, MEd, MD, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, College of Medicine, Columbus, OH

SESSION 8:

Dual Diagnosis Treatment Team: Trauma Treatment

Presenters will describe the makeup and model implementation for Merakey's Dual Diagnosis Treatment Team (DDTT). Presenters will review internal auditing processes and outcomes. Presenters will review how the DDTTs utilize evidenced based practices to support individual with co-occurring mental health and intellectual/developmental disabilities in their recovery from traumatic events.

Kristin Cline, MS, LPC, CAADC, DDTT, Merakey, Greensburg, PA; Kevin Kumpf, PhD, LPC, NCC, ACS; Colleen Vanderbeek, PsyD, DDTT, Merakey, McMurray, PA

SESSION 9:

Flex for Success: ASD Group Treatment

Youth with ASD often have difficulties with perspective taking, emotion regulation, and flexible thinking. This group treatment addresses these challenges with an adapted CBT protocol anchored in a behavioral framework.

Caitlin Walsh, PhD, Elizabeth Coan, PsyD, Amanda Nelson, PsyD; Samantha Piper, PhD, Developmental Pediatrics, Children's Hospital Colorado, Aurora, CO

Note: There will be a 10-minute Q&A session at the end of each session.

5-5:15 pm Day 2 Concludes.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the program participants will be able to:

- Recognize the application of DSM-5 criteria to the diagnosis of BPD in persons with intellectual disabilities (ID) and the limitations in applying these criteria.
- Identify how principles of dialectical behavior therapy (DBT) can be applied to treating persons with intellectual disabilities (ID).
- Identify the basic principles for selecting medications for treating anxiety, depressed mood, anger, and impulsivity.
- Discuss the policies our state systems currently have in place to encourage and prioritize community employment for individuals with disabilities.
- Describe factors associated with sexual deviance in ID individuals.
- Identify behavior assessments and behavior support strategies that are in-line with the key principles of a trauma-informed approach.
- Identify what police and first responders need to know about an individual in order to minimize the risk of use of force.
- Discuss with their agency's trainers, decision-makers, and staff about better education for and relationships with police and first responders.
- Understand the need for educating police and first responders on IDD and mental illness.
- Accept the community provider's role and responsibility as teacher and collaborator in the training process.
- Identify what police and first responders need to know about an individual in order to minimize the risk of use of force.
- Summarize the state of current knowledge of pharmacogenomics as it relates to decision-making in psychopharmacological treatment.
- Characterize the utility of pharmacogenomics testing in persons with IDD treated with psychotropic medications.
- Describe approaches to making the justice system rehabilitative for youth with autism and without punishing.
- Describe elements of a holistic approach that can result in reduced need for physical restraint.
- Identify prevention strategies to minimize the impact of mental health instability on behavioral presentation.
- Navigate accreditation and certification through NADD and prepare for accreditation or certification.
- Describe the predictors of opioid-related deaths within the community we serve.
- Describe factors related to behavioral health hospitalizations and how mental illness affects various aspects of life for persons with IDD/MI.
- Use VISBIOME for improving GI problems and improving QOL in children with ASD. Learners will be able to describe the safety of VISBIOME.
- Use an essential oil blend for increasing equanimity during transitions, improving sleep quality, and in general improving QOL in children with ASD.
- Identify modalities the DDTT utilizes to support individuals diagnosed with mental health and an ID disability in their recovery from traumatic experiences.
- Describe the core components of a new group treatment aimed at increasing flexible social behaviors in youth with ASD.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

RN/LPN, Social Work, Counselor, Psychology, MD/DO

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Ethics or Cultural Competency for Psychologists	Each day of this program meets the required four (4) hours of continuing education that addresses ethics or cultural competency for Psychologists per OAC 4732	

Requirements for Continuing Education:

Psychologists & RNs—Participants eligible for CE Certificates must sign-in, complete required program attendance (100%), and complete and return a program evaluation form. CE certificates will be handed out at the end of each program day.

Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDU)

Approvals for credit units are pending from Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) in the following areas: **Adult Services; Case Management; Early Intervention; Investigative Agent; County Board Members and Supt/Asst. Supt (Services/Programs/Supports Streams) and Service and Support Administration.** Please continue to indicate CPDU needs on the registration form. Updated information will be posted on the conference landing page.

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NADD ACCREDITATION & CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS (ACP)



Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) and Mental Illness (MI) have complex needs and present clinical challenges to the professionals, programs, and systems that provide care for them.

In an effort to raise the level of care, as well as to provide recognition to those programs and professionals offering quality care, NADD has introduced four interrelated programs:

1. The NADD Accreditation Program
2. The NADD Competency-Based Clinical Certification Program
3. The NADD Competency-Based Dual Diagnosis Specialist Program
4. The NADD Competency-Based Direct-Support Professional Certification Program

Information on ACP: www.thenadd.org.



NADD, an association for persons with developmental disabilities and mental health needs, is an international not-for-profit membership association established for professionals, care providers, family advocates and policy makers.

We are recognized as the leading authority for research, training, knowledge application and policy in emerging/best practices in dual diagnosis. We are dedicated to promoting the understanding of and services for individuals who have intellectual disabilities and mental health needs (IDD/MI).

The mission of NADD is to provide leadership in the expansion of knowledge, training, policy, and advocacy for mental health practices that promote a quality life for individuals with dual diagnosis (IDD/MI) in their communities.

NADD is recognized as the world's leading organization in providing educational services, training materials, and conferences concerning this topic.

NADD publishes two journals in addition to having an extensive array of resources including books, audiotapes, DVDs and other related educational and training materials. Additionally, NADD sponsors regional, annual and international conferences, teleconferences as well as provides consultation services.

Information on NADD: www.thenadd.org.

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Monday, September 24, 2018

Concurrent Session I: 1 2 3
 Concurrent Session II: 4 5 6
 Concurrent Session III: 7 8 9

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

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 Concurrent Session II: 4 5 6
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Online Hotel Reservations: www.thenadd.org/stateofohio

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