About the Speakers

**Jed Baker, Ph.D.** is the director of the Social Skills Training Project, an organization serving individuals with autism and social communication problems. He is on the professional advisory board of Autism Today, ASPEN, ANSWER, YAI, the Kelberman Center and several other autism organizations. In addition, he writes, lectures, and provides training internationally on the topic of social skills training and managing challenging behaviors. He is an award winning author of six books, including *Social Skills Training for Children and Adolescents with Aspergers Syndrome and Social Communication Problems; Preparing for Life: The Complete Handbook for the Transition to Adulthood for Those with Autism and Aspergers Syndrome; The Social Skills Picture Book; The Social Skills Picture Book for High School and Beyond; No More Meltdowns: Positive Strategies for Managing and Preventing Out-of-Control Behavior, and No More Victims: Protecting those with Autism from Cyber Bullying, Internet Predators & Scams*. His work has also been featured on ABC World News, Nightline, Fox News, the CBS Early Show, and the Discovery Health Channel.

**Dr. Jim Ball** is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA-D), and has been working in the private sector field of autism for over 25 years. In a variety of settings, he has provided educational, employment, and residential services to children and adults affected with autism. Dr. Ball has lectured nationally and internationally and published in the areas of early intervention, behavior, consultation services, social skills, technology, and trauma. He is a featured author and is on the advisory board for *Autism Asperger's Digest* magazine. He is the author of *Early Intervention & Autism: Real-Life Questions, Real-Life Answers* (2008). He is a Board member of the Autism Society's (AS) Board of Directors and is currently the Chair of the National Board.


**Kerry Magro** was diagnosed with Pervasive Developmental Disorder-Not Otherwise Specified (PDD-NOS) a form of autism, at age 4, and was non-verbal until age 2 1/2. Growing up Kerry’s future was very uncertain, but today, Kerry has conquered many of his challenges. Now at 27, Kerry is the founder and CEO of ‘KFM Making a Difference in The Community’, a non-profit organization that is focused on providing scholarships and support for college students with autism, spreading disability awareness and planning special need housing for disabled individuals in New Jersey. Kerry is a recent Masters Graduate from Seton Hall University. For the past two years he’s traveled the world as a National Motivational Speaker on topics ranging but not limited to Disability Advocacy and Overcoming Obstacles. He is the author of the book *Defining Autism From The Heart: From Nonverbal to National Speaker* (2013), which tells of his own personal journey.

**Robert Naseef, Ph.D.** has practiced for over 25 years as a psychologist. He is the father of an adult son with autism. He is a graduate of Temple University, specializing in families of children with disabilities. He has published numerous articles and written two books: *Special Children, Challenged Parents: The Struggles and Rewards of Raising a Child With a Disability* (1997) and *Autism in the Family: Caring and Coping Together* (2012). Dr. Naseef co-edited, *Voices From The Spectrum* (2006) with Dr. Ariel. Dr. Naseef presents locally and nationally on issues related to family life with special needs and has a special interest in the psychology of men. www.alternativechoices.com

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“Putting the Pieces Together: Successful Strategies for Families Living with Autism”

**With Dr. Jed Baker, Dr. James Ball, Carol Stock Kranowitz, Kerry Magro and Dr. Robert Naseef**

March 26, 2015
8:00AM to 4:00PM

Springfield Country Club
400 W. Sproul Road
Springfield, PA 19064
Program Description

The one-day conference will provide education about some successful strategies for families living with autism, and insights about the home perspective, as well as strategies that can be implemented across settings—home, school and community.

Program Highlights

The conference offers participants the opportunity to attend sessions based on their areas of interest:

- learn how autism impacts the entire family;
- listen to an adult with autism share his journey from being nonverbal to becoming a national speaker;
- sensory-motor suggestions for children ages 2-6;
- sensory-motor suggestions for children ages 7-15;
- tips to increase and decrease behaviors in the home; and
- effective social skills training.

The program will be held at:
Springfield Country Club
400 West Springfield Road
Springfield, PA 19064
http://springfieldcc.net/

Registration fee includes continental breakfast and boxed lunch. The first 300 registrants (couples count as one registrant) will also receive one copy of the book Defined Autism From the Heart, by conference speaker Kerry Magro.

Questions? Contact us:
via telephone at 484-469-0459
or by email at delcofamilypass@yahoo.com

AGENDA

8:00AM – 8:45AM
Registration, Continental breakfast, Vendors

8:45AM – 9:00AM
Welcome and Information about the day

9:00AM – 9:30AM
Opening remarks by Dr. Robert Naseef:
From Awareness to Acceptance & Appreciation:
The Family Journey

9:40AM – 11:30AM
Choose one session to attend:

- Dr. Robert Naseef — Autism In The Family:
  Getting The Big Picture

- Kerry Magro — 23 Years of Autism:
  From Then Till Now

- Carol Stock Kranowitz — Fun and Functional
  Sensory-motor Activities to Get Young Children
  "In Sync" (2-6 years old)

11:30AM – 12:15PM
Lunch (boxed lunch) and Vendors

12:30PM – 2:15PM
Choose one session to attend:

- Dr. James Ball — Increasing and Decreasing Behaviors in the Home

- Carol Stock Kranowitz — Fun and Functional
  Sensory-motor Activities to Get School-aged Children "In Sync" (7-15 years old)

2:30PM – 3:45PM
Dr. Jed Baker – Effective Social Skills Training for
Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Delco Family PASS—2015 Conference Registration:
“Putting the Pieces Together: Successful Strategies for Families Living with Autism”

Sign up for:  Price

□ Parent  $95.00

□ Couple*  $160.00

□ Professional  $120.00

*The couples pricing option is designed to support families by offering a reduced price to married couples or partners raising a child with a disability. Couples are defined as 2 adults who reside at the same address. If you do not fit this description, please register as an individual. Note: The first 300 registrants will receive one copy of the book Defined Autism From the Heart. Those registering as a couple will receive one copy of the book.

Boxed Lunch Choice (please indicate one per person):

□ Turkey  □ Ham & Cheese  □ Tuna

Name ____________________________________________
Address ________________________________
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Phone  ____________________
Email address (please print) _______________________________________

Method of payment/registration:

□ Credit card registration, which begins 1/02/2015, will be available online only, at www.delcofamilypass.com

□ Check (registration open now through 3/12/2015) Please mail registration form and check to:
Delco Family PASS Inc.
P.O. Box 210
Drexel Hill, PA 19026
“Putting the Pieces Together: Successful Strategies for Families Living with Autism”

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Conference Sessions

Opening Remarks:
Dr. Robert Naseef — From Awareness to Acceptance & Appreciation: The Family Journey

Choose one morning session to attend:
Dr. Robert Naseef — Autism In The Family: Getting The Big Picture
Kerry Magro — 23 Years of Autism: From Then Till Now
Carol Stock Kranowitz — Fun and Functional Sensory-motor Activities to Get Young Children “In Sync” (2-6 years old)

Choose one of these Part I afternoon sessions to attend:
Dr. James Ball — Increasing and Decreasing Behaviors in the Home
Carol Stock Kranowitz — Fun and Functional Sensory-motor Activities to Get School-aged Children "In Sync" (7-15 years old)

Part II afternoon session:
Dr. Jed Baker — Effective Social Skills Training for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder

Attending sessions based on areas of interest. Learn how autism impacts the entire family; listen to an adult with autism share his journey from being nonverbal to becoming a national speaker; receive sensory-motor suggestions for children ages 2-6 and/or for children ages 7-15; hear tips to increase and decrease behaviors in the home; and learn about effective social skills training — all sessions led by nationally-recognized speakers.

Registration:

• Parent, $95
• Professional, $120
• Couples**, $160

*Registration is available online beginning 01/02/2015 at www.delcofamilypass.com
Register online between 01/02/2015 and 3/12/2015; register by check via standard mail now through 3/12/2015. Vendors will be attending Conference. Registration fee includes continental breakfast and boxed lunch. (**The Couples pricing option is designed to support families by offering a reduced price to married couples or partners raising a child with a disability. Couples are defined as two adults who reside at the same address. If you do not fit this description, please register as an individual.) The first 300 registrants (couples count as one registrant) will also receive one copy of the book Defining Autism From the Heart, by conference speaker Kerry Magro. Conference presented by:

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What are the Keystone Exams?

Who takes them?

How are the scores used?

What is the current direction to School Districts regarding the scores on school transcripts?

What is the “Project" option?

How often does my child have to take the Keystone Exams before being offered the opportunity to do the Project?

How does this effect students who graduate on their IEP goals?

What are acceptable accommodations for students with disabilities?
Professional Development
Parent Education
Empowering Partnerships For Education

**Wednesday, March 11, 2015**
Drexel Hill Middle School
3001 State Road
Drexel Hill, PA 19026
6:00-8:00 p.m.

**ADHD and Executive Function**

Long lists of accommodations and / or specially designed instructions may not be the most practical way to help our students with AD/HD navigate their world. This parent workshop will focus on defining executive functioning in parent-friendly terms with practical and targeted strategies to try both at home and when working with school teams to improve skill and accommodation planning for your child.

To register for these sessions, call Cyndy Napp 610-938-9000 ext. 2130 or send an email to cnapp@dciu.org
DCIU 4th Annual Autism Awareness Month Resource Fair

Thursday, April 23rd 2015
5:00-7:00pm
DCIU Marple Education Center
Cafeteria (near the main entrance)
85 N. Malin Road
Broomall, PA 19008

Please join us to obtain valuable resource information from agencies who specialize in the care of individuals on the Autism Spectrum as well as their family.

Some of the agencies expected to attend:

- ASCEND-The Asperger & Autism Alliance for Greater Philadelphia
- ASERT/Bureau of Autism Services
- All Riders Up-Therapeutic Horseback Riding Program
- Art of Friendship Social Skill Program
- Camp Pegasus
- Child & Family Focus, Inc.
- Child Guidance Resource Center
- Foundations Behavioral Health
- Growing Stronger
- In-Sync and Social
- Kaleidoscope
- Let’s Go Play, Inc.
- Main Line Arts Center
- MusicWorks
- Special Olympics
- Spectra Support Services, LLC.
- The ARC of Delaware County
- The Kinney Center for Autism Education and Support

For additional information, please contact:
Adrienne Maimone, LSW or Jill Shaika, LSW at (484)-423-7004
Wednesday, April 8, 2015
DCIU Marple Education Center
85 N. Malin Rd.
Broomall, PA 19008
6:00-8:00 p.m.

10 Things Parents Need to Know to Help a Struggling Reader

Learning to read is a very complex process that requires the development of many skills. This workshop will give you the basic facts about what it takes for a child to learn to read, why so many children struggle, and practical strategies for parents and families to support struggling readers.

To register for these sessions, call Nora Connell 610-938-9000 ext. 2263 or send an email to nconnell@dciu.org
Thursday, April 16, 2015
DCIU-Morton
200 Yale Ave.
Morton, PA 19070
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Presenter: Cathy Ash Professional Development Specialist

Managing Autism at Home and in the Community

The day and life of a child with Autism can be challenging. This course is designed to provide practical strategies to help your child manage stressful situations such as transitioning between activities and dealing with sensory overload. Strategies discussed will include establishing a predictable routine, teaching self-regulation, use of visual support, social stories and power cards. This course is geared toward parents of children in elementary school.

Wednesday, April 29, 2015
DCIU
200 Yale Ave
Morton, PA 19070
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Presenter: Stephanie Szczepkowski, Professional Development Specialist

Strategies for Preventing Problem Behaviors

This session will focus on helping parents understand how to set and teach expectations, reinforce positive behavior, set boundaries and establish healthy relationships with your children. Methods and tools based on the Positive Behavior Support framework will be analyzed & discussed.

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