CARD NEWSLETTER

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The UF-JAX CARD program provides support and assistance with the goal of optimizing the potential of people with autism spectrum disorders and related disabilities. Services are provided at no cost. The UF-JAX CARD program provides services to Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, and St. Johns counties.

Transition Goals for the Individualized Education Program (IEP)

by Audrey Bringman, M. Ed.

Transition goals should be specific, measurable, and align with the student's postsecondary educational and career goals. Transition goals should be developed in each of the following areas: training, education, employment, and independent living skills. According to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA 2004), transition discussions and IEP goals should help promote a smooth transition into adulthood. Transition planning should start as early as possible, which can be as soon as a diagnosis is made, and be based on the student's interests and strengths. This is a useful checklist (https://transitionta.org/sites/ default/files/transitionplanning/ NSTTAC_ChecklistFormB.pdf) to make sure your student's IEP contains all of the transition planning requirements based on the compliance measure Indicator 13 of the State Performance Plan that is required by IDEA.

Parents, educators and students can use the following formula to develop a **postsecondary transition goal** that meets IDEA criteria.

After high School, (student name) will (behavior) (where and how).

Education/training postsecondary example: After high school, student will

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CARD's Mission

To educate and empower individuals and families throughout the lifespan by providing support, assistance, and awareness within the community; with the goal of optimizing the potential of all individuals with autism and related disabilities.

Upcoming Events

10/20 Fall Family Festival

11/6 Make Money Work: Fraud Alert

12/8 Microsoft Gaming Party

Keep up to date on events.
Join the CARD Weekly Update
Email Newsletter.
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enroll in an information technology computer course in the fall 2018 semester at Florida State College at Jacksonville.

Employment postsecondary example: Upon graduation, student will work at least 10 hours per week in the IT field, at a local business, with assistance of a job coach from Vocational Rehabilitation.

The next formula can be used to help you develop an annual goal that meets IDEA criteria and supports the postsecondary transition goal.

Given (condition: specific teaching strategy, modeling, direct instruction, peer tutoring, etc.) (student name) will (behavior: accomplish/do/create/develop/complete) (task) (where, when [deadline/timeframe], with how much accuracy and how will it be monitored?).

Education/training annual example that aligns with the transition goal above: Given direct instruction on completing a college application and guided practice, student will complete 3 local college applications and submit them by the posted school deadlines for enrollment in the Fall 2018 semester.

Employment example that aligns with the transition goal above: Given direct instruction on job searches and opportunity to independently search job listings, student will identify 10 businesses with open IT jobs that he is interested in and will save or print these 10 job applications by the end of the first school semester. Electronic copies of the applications will be saved on his personal USB drive in his IT Job folder and printed copies will be maintained in his career binder at school.

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RAISING RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTABLE PEOPLE R²AP Training Series for Parents

A CARD program facilitated by: Anne Wilson, MST, Audrey Bringman, M.Ed., & Katrina Ressa, BS, BCaBA

Targeted Audience: Parents of individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD),

- With accompanying Intellectual Disability (InD)
- Who are 10-14 years old
- Who are minimally verbal
- Who have minimal behaviors that would interfere with learning new skills

Pre-Requisites:

- Parent and child must attend an eligibility appointment with two facilitators
- Participants must be registered CARD constituents
- Parents must be willing to attend all 4 sessions and follow up with Clinicians for monthly Family Support Time

Contact Anne or Audrey to schedule the eligibility appointment

Audrey: 904-633-4330 or Audrey.Bringman@jax.ufl.edu Anne: 904-633-0764 or Anne.Wilson@jax.ufl.edu

Session 1 - Behavioral Principles

Session 2 - Reinforcement

Session 3 - Planned Ignoring & Compliance Training

Session 4 - Teaching Skills & Generalization

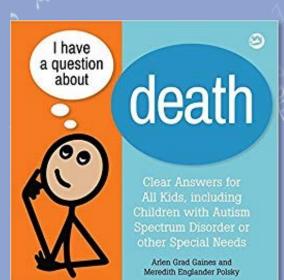


Fall Back To Basics

A Training Series for Parents of Minimally Verbal Children with ASD and/or IND and Related Disabilities



Now available in the CARD Lending Library:



I Have A Question About Death

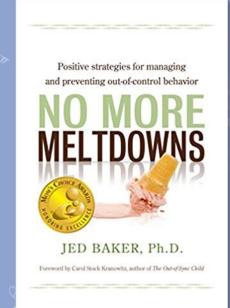
By Arlen Grad Gaines & Meredith Englander Polsky

The first book of its kind, *I Have a Question about Death* uses straightforward text and images to walk children through what it means when someone dies, as well as ways they might want to react or to think about the person. Using clear illustrations throughout and with information for parents and guardians, this book is essential for families with a child aged 5-11 with Autism Spectrum Disorder or other special needs.

No More Meltdowns

By Jed Baker, Ph.D.

It could happen anywhere: at the grocery store, at a restaurant, at school, or at home. Meltdowns are stressful for both child and adult, but Dr. Baker can help! The book offers an easy-to-follow, four-step model that will improve your everyday relationships with the children in your life, including managing your own emotions by adjusting your expectations, learning strategies to calm a meltdown in the moment, understanding why a meltdown occurs, and creating plans to prevent future meltdowns.



WHAT TO DO ABOUT SMEARING A Practical Guide for Parents and Caregivers of People with Autism, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities KATE E. REYNOLDS IILLUSTRATIONS BY LUCY PULLEYBLANK

What To Do About Smearing

By Kate E. Reynolds

Addressing the often hidden, yet not uncommon, behaviour of fecal smearing among children and adults with autism and developmental and intellectual disabilities, this practical handbook shows how to tackle this often embarrassing and difficult issue in a positive way. Informing parents and caregivers of the many causes of smearing, the author offers tried-and-tested, everyday approaches for managing this behaviour. This supportive guidebook includes down-to-earth advice, helpful picture narratives, examples of how to prepare and use diary sheets for behaviour analysis, and practical exercises that can be carried out at home.



Parent Support Group& Parent Craft Group

Please join us for two new parent support group options hosted by the UF-Jax CARD and geared to meet the needs voiced by many in our area!

Parent Support Group:

- Conversation-based group, cofacilitated by our licensed psychologist & lead clinician.
- Please contact
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 for more information regarding this group.

Parent Craft Group:

- Activity-based craft group for parents, lead by CARD clinicians.
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 <u>Chelsea.Pierce@jax.ufl.edu</u> for
 more information regarding this
 group.

Requirements for joining these groups:

- You must be an active constituent who is using our services
- Please come wiling to learn, share and grow



