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## Ohio AAP Autism Diagnostic Partnerships Conference Frequently Asked Questions

### *What will we learn?*

ADEPP staff will train HMG Part C developmental evaluation teams to collaborate with local pediatric health professionals to provide local timely, comprehensive, standardized diagnostic services for young children with delays in social and communication development, including autism. Participants will work together to develop a local process that ensures effective communication among early intervention, health care professionals, and families. The process builds on what teams currently do (Bayley or Battelle) by adding additional tools when autism is suspected. The extra skills learned will include the following:

- 1) Routines-Based Interview (DE team);
- 2) Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedules (ADOS) (DE team);
- 3) Comprehensive medical history, including DSM-IV criteria for autism (physician)
- 4) Comprehensive medical examination (physician).

### *When and where is the conference?*

The first wave of the conference is **April 15-16** at the Northeast Conference Center in Westerville. It's at 4140 Executive Parkway, Westerville, Ohio. <http://www.neconference.com/>  
Training on the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS) is **April 22-23** at the Northeast Conference Center.

### *Do we need to have people at both sessions? Yes.*

**April 15-16** focuses on content and process of how to create and implement a team. Counties should plan on sending the HMG Project Director, a Service Coordinator, members of the Developmental Evaluation team, the person who oversees the DE team, and a local physician.

**April 22-23** is the ADOS training. The ADOS is the gold standard of autism evaluation. Counties should plan on sending those members of the DE team (up to four) who have been selected (by the county) as the ones to administer the ADOS. Participants must attend both days of the session to be certified ADOS administrators.

### *How much will the conference cost?*

Conference participation is free. Participants will receive all materials (including the ADOS kit) at no cost.

We anticipate starting late enough the first day both weeks to accommodate morning travel time. As a result, only one overnight per session will be required of teams. We will be able to pay for one hotel room for every two conference participants on both April 15 and April 22.

The Northeast Conference Center is donating a free continental breakfast.

Due to state and federal restrictions, participants will have to pay for their own lunch and dinner.

### *How do I get involved?*

The registration form is attached in this e-mail. We also are looking for physicians to be part of these partnership teams. Chances are you know or work with certain medical teams more frequently than others. Any referrals or recruitment work you would be willing to offer will help us make the event more successful and efficient for everyone.

### *How does Continuing Education work?*

For the first two days of the conference, we are planning to apply for CME for doctors and nurses. There's also continuing education available for those in social work and EI/DD. We can also provide the documentation for related services (OT/PT/SLP) to apply for their own CEUs.

For the ADOS training, we can provide the documentation for all participants to apply for their own CEUs.