

**Calendar dates 2009/10**



Conference information  
Tel: 028 90401729

## Training Calendar

**2009 / 2010**



*"No other organisation in Northern Ireland (and probably on the island) or Great Britain currently offers a comparable range of training opportunities."*

Professor Roy McConkey, Training Needs Analysis for Autism NI, University of Ulster, May 2007

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	<b>Course Titles</b>	<b>Professional</b>	<b>Parent/Carer</b>	<b>Autism NI Member (Parent)</b>
<b>2009/2010</b>	<b>Family Support Training</b> Contact Autism NI for information regarding funded courses in your area Sibling workshops ACCESS Parent discussion workshops Grandparent workshops Social skills workshops Autism and you-extended family Fathers workshops	N/A	Funded places	Funded places
<b>14-16 Sept 2009</b>	<b>Dr Nancy Dartnall</b> <b>3 Day Professional TEACCH</b>	£595	N/A	N/A
<b>17-18 Sept 2009</b>	<b>Dr Nancy Dartnall</b> <b>2 Day Parent TEACCH</b>	N/A	£95	N/A
<b>12-16 Oct 2009</b>	<b>Dr Fiona J Scott</b> <b>ADOS</b>	Contact Office 028 9040 1729	N/A	N/A
<b>Oct/Nov 2009/2010</b>	<b>Dr Dave Hewett</b> Intensive Interaction Coordinator Course 7 blocks of 3 days	Contact 01920822027	Contact 01920822027	Contact 01920822027
<b>19 Oct 2009</b>	<b>Dr Dave Hewett</b> Intensive Interaction Workshop	£110	£40	£25
<b>20 Oct 2009</b>	<b>Dr Dave Hewett</b> Managing Incidents Challenging Behaviour	£110	£40	£25
<b>3 &amp; 4 Nov 2009</b>	<b>Anne-Laure Jackson</b> Sensory Processing Issues	£220	£80	£50
	<b>Dr Nancy Dartnall</b> <b>5 Day Professional TEACCH</b>	Contact Office 028 9040 1729	N/A	N/A
<b>12 Nov 2009</b>	<b>Autism NI</b> Fundamentals of Autism AQA Level 1	£110	£40	£25
<b>15 Dec 2009</b>	<b>Anne-Laure Jackson</b> Sensory Processing Issues – Review Day	£110	£40	£25
<b>13-14 Jan 2010</b>	<b>PECS</b> (Picture Exchange Communications System) 2 Day Workshop	Contact 01273609555	Contact 01273609555	Contact 01273609555
<b>15 Jan 2009</b>	<b>PECS</b> Review Practice & Problem Solving Workshop	Contact 01273609555	Contact 01273609555	Contact 01273609555
<b>11 Feb 2010</b>	<b>Autism NI</b> Fundamentals of Autism AQA Level 1	£110	£40	£25
<b>20 Apr 2010</b>	<b>Autism NI</b> Fundamentals of Autism AQA Level 1	£110	£40	£25
<b>24 25 June 2010</b>	<b>Autism2010</b> <b>An International Conference</b>	Contact Office 028 9040 1729	Contact Office 028 9040 1729	Contact Office 028 9040 1729

Autism NI's Mission in brief is to "ensure that individuals with Autism and their carers are valued members of the community". We achieve this through a bi-lateral approach of parent support and training for parents and professionals.

Autism NI's training department team has a wealth of qualifications, expertise and experience. As well as drawing on the wide range of skills within our own professional team, we also have links and longstanding relationships with a consortium of local and international specialist trainers.

We are delighted to host a busy calendar of workshops, training and seminars to make this knowledge accessible to professionals and parents in Ireland and beyond. We also engage and support local experts as much as possible as part of our overarching strategy of developing "home grown" experts and a culture of excellence in ASD in Northern Ireland.

### Keyhole

#### (Pre-school children with Autism developing a visually structured approach)

The Keyhole Early Intervention Research Project designed, developed and evaluated a holistic approach to the intervention with the pre-school child with an Autistic Spectrum Disorder. The course aims to enhance knowledge about Autism and the intervention strategies which are effective in assisting young children achieve their full potential.

#### Dr Dave Hewett Ph.D

Dr Dave Hewett has worked for 14 years as an independent staff trainer and consultant to staff in all services who work with people with severe learning difficulties and/or Autism. Previously he was head teacher of Harperbury Hospital School, Hertfordshire. He took part in the development and first research on Intensive Interaction and is now the Director of the newly formed Intensive Interaction Institute. In 2009 Dr Hewett will introduce for the first time in Northern Ireland an Intensive Interaction Co-ordinator course with accreditation through the Manchester Metropolitan University.

#### Dr Fiona Scott BSc (Hons) Ph.D C.Psychol

Dr Scott is an honorary Senior Research Associate and Consultant Psychologist with the Autism Research Centre, University of Cambridge. She is a specialist chartered psychologist in independent practice offering professional training, diagnostic assessment, consultation as well as expert reports relating to ASD. Dr Scott has been involved in a range of national developments including the All Party Parliamentary Group for Autism and the National Initiative for Autism Screening.



### Unit Award Scheme

ACT offer a limited number of training courses with recognised qualifications and hope to incorporate more of their training courses with these recognised certificates, e.g. *AQA qualifications*.

***These qualifications are open to all.***

***The Unit Award Scheme provides external accreditation of achievement and provides a route to support lifelong learning.***

## Welcome to Autism NI Training Calendar



Conference information

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Autism2010 will be one of the most important International Conferences in 2010.

The aims of the Conference are to increase awareness of Autistic Spectrum Disorder and to build effective models of practice.

The main themes of the conference will include partnership working; current research; innovative practice; family support; lobbying and the promotion of inclusion.

Autism2010 will be a fully holistic event for clinicians, professionals, carers and parents. It will stimulate awareness and share knowledge. Speakers include; **Nancy Minshev, Gary Mesibov, Peter Gerhardt, John Clements** + 30 parallel sessions.

**Make sure you don't miss out!**

### CWA - Connecting With Autism through Play A Positive Start for Life

The Connecting with Autism project, produced the 'Rainbow Resource Kit', and is Autism NI's unique response to the question "What can I do for my child?" After an extremely successful CWA pilot program with a group of early years Autism professionals, the Rainbow Resource Kit was introduced and implemented with families across Northern Ireland. The CWA project continues through the training of early year's professionals as CWA practitioners and the utilisation of the Rainbow Resource Kit within their daily work. This training aims to provide early years workers with an understanding of connecting through the medium of play with the young child with Autism. The Rainbow Resource Kit consists of a series of booklets, play and activity materials.

### Dr Nancy Dartnall Ph.D Clinical Director

Dr Dartnall is from the Gastonia TEACCH Centre which serves individuals with Autism in the south western region of North Carolina. Services include diagnostic evaluations, treatment planning and implementation, education, consultation, supported employment assistance, training opportunities and research. Autism NI hosts a five -day training model annually in partnership with Division TEACCH and a three -day model for professionals as well as a two day model for parents.

### Family Support

The challenge for many parents post diagnosis is often finding out what relevant services there are locally, what resources have been useful to other parents, who the local professionals are, what they do and how to access further information or services. Many parents contact Autism NI and ask about local groups they can join. Autism NI provides a range of family support training such as:

- [ACCESS Discussion Workshops](#)
- [Grandparent workshops](#)
- [Autism & You training for carers](#)
- [Sibling Workshops](#)
- [SocialSkills Workshops](#)
- [Fathers Workshops](#)



**Cost**                      Professionals                      Parents/Carers                      Member of Autism NI (parents and carers)  
£    £    £

Payments must be made in full before/or on day of training

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Full Address**  
**(Full invoice address)**

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Tel \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requirements \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Course \_\_\_\_\_

Date/s of Course \_\_\_\_\_

**Authorisation** (if applicable)

Line manager signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Position in Organisation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach cheque or state purchase order number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please ensure that you have completed all the sections of the form relevant to your organisation:**

**Please complete and return booking form to Christine Quail, Autism NI, Donard, Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Saintfield Road, Belfast BT8 8HB**

**All cheques should be made payable to: Autism NI**

**Substitutions can be made at any time up to 1 week before commencement date providing all new details are forwarded to Autism NI Training Team.**

**Please note if you are unable to attend the training you must inform Autism NI five working days in advance of the course date otherwise you will be invoiced for the full cost of the course.**