

Autism Discovery Institute

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WHAT'S NEW

The Autism Discovery Institute is pleased to announce that our **services have expanded to the North Coastal and North Inland regions** of San Diego! Autism specific services are now available at the following Rady Children's Hospital satellite locations:

- **Oceanside**
 - * PC-DBT (Parent Child-Developmental Behavioral Therapy) & Behavioral Consultation
- **Solana Beach**
 - * PC-DBT & Behavioral Consultation
- **Temecula:**
 - * Developmental Evaluations, PC-DBT, Behavioral Consultation

To schedule services at any of these locations, please contact 858.966.7453.



MEET THE STAFF

Angela Patricelli is a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA) with a master's degree in Behavioral Psychology from the State University of New York at Brockport. She has been working with children with autism spectrum disorders and other children with specific behavioral problems (ADHD, ODD, etc.) since 2000. Her clinical experience includes the implementation, development, and supervision of intervention programs for children with behavior problems and social-communication delays. She has experience in functional behavior assessments and training therapists, parents and professionals in a variety of research-based approaches, specifically Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA). In her free time, Angela enjoys running, kayaking, boating, going to the beach and gardening.



TODAY'S TIP: Provided by Adriana Arellano, MOT, OTR/L

Encourage your child to use both of their hands during everyday activities; one hand for stabilization and the other hand for manipulation. Your child can help open play doh containers using two hands (one hand to hold the container and the other to remove the lid). Making beaded necklaces and playing with Mr. Potato Head are other activities that also encourage the use of both hands. And don't forget to have fun!

RESEARCH CORNER

AIM HI— Dr. Lauren Brookman-Frazer and her UCSD and CASRC colleagues were recently awarded a 5-year, \$3.25 million study from the National Institute of Mental Health entitled, *Effectiveness and Implementation of a Mental Health Intervention for ASD*. The purpose of this randomized controlled trial is to test the effectiveness of a mental health intervention for children aged 5-13 with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) who exhibit challenging behaviors and are served in community and school-based mental health service settings. Participants include over 300 children receiving mental health services in San Diego County and over 200 therapists practicing in these settings.

JOIN OUR TEAM

The Autism Discovery Institute invites you to join us at the 6th Annual Shamu and You Walk at SeaWorld on October 6th, 2012. Here are just a few reasons to join!

- All proceeds raised by the Autism Discovery Institute team will benefit research and services for children with ASD.
- It's fun for the whole family! Participants can choose from a 1-mile or 3-mile course and will experience animal interactions and meet characters along the way.
- All registrants receive a 50% off coupon for SeaWorld admission, free t-shirt and other fun prizes.
- Those unable to attend the walk in person can sign up as a 'Virtual Walker' and still be part of the team!

Sign up today! www.shamuandyouwalk.org/autism

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