

CDS Lunchtime Learning

Monday, October 10, 2011

“Autism: The Impact on Parents and Strategies for Coping”

The Center for Disabilities Studies continues its lunchtime learning series with a presentation by Dr. Brian Freedman, director of the Transition, Education and Employment (TEEM) unit at CDS and Dr. Robert Naseef, psychologist, author and parent.

Our speakers will present research findings about marriage and divorce rates among families of children with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD). They will also share strategies for helping parents navigate the challenges of maintaining a strong marital relationship while raising a child with an ASD. Brian Freedman, Ph.D., is the former clinical director for the Center for Autism and Related Disorders at Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore. He has conducted research on the stress and coping among parents and families who have a child with an autism spectrum disorder. Robert Naseef, Ph.D, is a psychologist in the Philadelphia area who specializes in families of children with autism and has made numerous media appearances.

He is the parent of an adult child with autism and the author of "Special Children, Challenged Parents" (1997) and the co-editor of "Voices from the Spectrum" (2006).

Lunchtime Learning Details:

Date and Time: Monday, October 10, 2011, 12 noon–1 p.m.

Location: Center for Disabilities Studies, Room 132, 461 Wyoming Rd., Newark

Registration: Reply to Michele Sands, msands@udel.edu or 302-831-3038.

Please indicate if you need an accommodation.

You're welcome to bring a bag lunch. Water and snacks will be provided.