



AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS AWARENESS TRAINING COURSE OUTLINE

These one and a half day training sessions are being offered to Disability Services Case Managers and Intake Staff who work for Community Service Organisation or the Department of Human Services in all rural and metro regions of Victoria.

The dates for the training sessions are listed below.

Places for these FREE training sessions are limited, so book early to avoid disappointment!

<p>Prerequisites for registrants</p>	<p>This training is suitable for those disability services case management and intake staff from all rural and metro regions who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work for CSOs or DHS • Support the needs of individuals with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) • Work with children, adolescents and adults with an ASD • Want to learn more about Autism, Asperger syndrome or Pervasive Developmental Disorder – Not Otherwise Specified (PDD-NOS)
<p>Level of training</p>	<p>Suitable for participants with beginner to intermediate levels of ASD knowledge/experience</p>
<p>Learning objectives for the training</p>	<p>Learning outcomes for the participants include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased knowledge and understanding of ASD, current research and the process for establishing diagnosis • Greater understanding of the key issues affecting individuals with ASD, their families and carers, including behavioural concerns • Enhanced knowledge of how best to provide case management support to an individual with ASD and their family • The services available for professional staff, families and people with ASD in Victoria, including the linkages between the disability service system and other service systems

<p>About the training content</p>	<p>Autism Spectrum Disorders are a 'spectrum' of neurodevelopmental disorders which affect 1/160 individuals in Australia. In December 2008, a decision was made by the Victorian State Government to acknowledge Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) as a neurological impairment under the Disability Act 2006. In order for professionals to best support the needs of individuals with ASD, Autism Victoria, Scope, Gateways and the Autism Teaching Institute in partnership with the Department of Human Services (DHS), is offering intake and case management staff from throughout Victoria the opportunity to participate in a one and a half day training workshop.</p> <p>The workshop will include an introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders, an examination of the subtypes and characteristics underpinning each, an introduction to a framework which will guide participants in how to best support the needs of an individual with an ASD through the implementation of effective case management/case consultancy and the use of core strategies, a discussion about legislative implications and funding options for individuals throughout the lifespan, and a discussion about maximising outcomes for individuals accessing services.</p> <p>It is expected that the theory provided within this training will be contextualised and grounded in the experiential knowledge and history of participants. It is anticipated that there will be opportunity for discussion about the interface between theory and practice within the broader case management and planning framework.</p>
<p>Catering</p>	<p>Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea are provided. For special dietary requirements, please contact Autism Victoria directly on email: registration@autismvictoria.org.au or ph: 9657 1601</p>
<p>Cancellation Policy</p>	<p>Autism Victoria reserves the right to cancel this training due to insufficient numbers. Participants will be advised 24 hours prior to the event should a cancellation occur.</p>

Registrations

Please register your interest in this training by submitting the completed registration form to:
registration@autismvictoria.org.au or fax: 9639 4955