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Lakeside Consultants offer clients specialized advice in three key areas:

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Ross Hennig and his staff are able to provide families and individuals affected by an Autism Spectrum Disorder with quality, personalised advice and guidance. They wish to help families get the right advice when it comes to sorting out their financial world. **Too often they have seen the market offering advice that is too general, and not cognisant of the needs of families wishing to plan their affairs with their disabled family member in mind.** For example, Lakeside utilises the services of well-known solicitor Alan Swan when helping families plan their financial affairs. Alan is particularly experienced in estate planning for families with a disabled family member.

### EXHIBITOR NO. 19



### MAJOR SPONSOR

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Pyramid Educational Consultants offers a wide range of consulting services and products for educators and parents of individuals with autism and related disabilities. Pyramid is an international consortium of highly trained professionals dedicated to providing the highest quality care.

Pyramid Educational Consultants of Australia P/L offers a variety of training opportunities and products that focus on the initiation of communication and the design of effective educational environments utilising structural and instructional elements. We present a unique blend of broad-spectrum applied behaviour analysis in conjunction with the development of functional communication skills emphasizing the individual needs of each person. We are also the premier source of training for the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS).

At the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference we will display Pyramid resources for the Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) and the Pyramid Approach to Education.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 16****MAJOR SPONSOR****Western Autistic School**

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Contact - Mary Thomson, Vice Principal

**Western Autistic School (WAS)** has a twenty-five year history of delivering highly successful educational programs to students with Autism Spectrum Disorder. Our unique model is widely recognised as best practice in the education and development of students with ASD, the focus being enable students to commence integration into mainstream or generic special schools with provision for ongoing support to these schools.

It is our aim at Western Autistic School to utilise the specialist knowledge and expertise demanded and produced by the delivery of this model in order to positively impact the education of as many students with ASD as possible. Our future objective is to develop the educational model used at WAS via establishment of a Centre for the Understanding and Education of Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder that will include teacher training.

Western Autistic School also has a significant resource function, being the only school specialising in the education of students with autism in this area of Melbourne. It is alert to current literature and research, and where appropriate, incorporates new knowledge and research into the curriculum. The school provides information and consultancy about Autism Spectrum Disorder, including Asperger Syndrome and related educational and management issues, to teachers, parents, and a range of professionals. As an affiliate of Autism Victoria, the school actively promotes the needs of autistic people and their families, and assists in the dissemination of accurate information about Autism Spectrum Disorder.

The Western Autistic School is a government school providing a range of educational services and specific school based programs for students diagnosed as having Autism Spectrum Disorder. As an Exhibitor at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference we will be displaying information about our School and the Consultancy service.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 17 & 18****ASSOCIATE SPONSOR****Unicom Education**

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**Unicom Education** has quickly become the first port of call for therapists, psychologists, teachers and parents- anyone who is dedicated to serving the needs students in the field of learning disabilities. Our distinctive feature is our personalised service. We aim to assist you find the materials you are searching for. We will source difficult to find texts and suggest close alternatives if they are no longer available.

Unicom Education offers a range of resources from Australia and overseas. We are continually

researching the very best materials available to help all students achieve to their full potential. Our resources include long established favourites, as well as the latest materials and titles. Keep a look out for our Exhibit at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference or contact us for a listing of the most current resources available. Our title list includes books, games and computer software for:

- Early learning
- Behavioural problems
- ADD/ADHD
- Learning difficulties
- Auditory processing
- Visual processing
- Literacy
- Autism and Asperger's syndrome
- Self-esteem
- Life & social skills
- Protective behaviour
- School to work resources
- Fine motor development
- Gross motor development
- Dyslexia
- Numeracy
- Down syndrome

## Autism Victoria would like to thank the following Exhibitors:

### EXHIBITOR NO. 1 & 2



#### Language Education At Play (LEAP)

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Contact - Liz Jackson, Speech Pathologist

Language Education at Play produces enjoyable games that enable children to acquire crucial aspects of language whilst playing. Liz Jackson has over two decades of experience working as a Speech Pathologist with language impaired children. She has developed the activities, which are suitable both in an educational environment and at home with families. Learning is enhanced by activities that gain and maintain a child's interest, a concept that is the genesis of Language Education at Play.

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LEAP products are:

- Colourful - all activities are printed in bright colours to appeal to children's interests
- Durable - all activities are laminated to prevent wear and tear from repeated use
- Interactive - all activities are games that the child can actively participate in, increasing their chances of learning by being involved in materials that are interesting
- Educational - all activities come with suggestion sheets on how to use the product, including language development ideas and specific ways to help children improve their communication skills
- Fun - most importantly, every activity produced by LEAP is fun for both children and adults

### EXHIBITOR NO. 3



#### Victorian Continence Resource Centre

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Contact - Susan McCarthy, Coordinator

The **Continence Foundation of Australia Victorian Branch** (CFA Vic) actively promotes continence for all Victorians. This goal is enacted through the following broad actions:

- Promotion
- Education
- Advocacy
- Resource development and provision

The Victorian Continence Resource Centre (VCRC) is a service of CFA Vic funded through a Home and Community Care (HACC) grant. The core business of VCRC is to provide information, education and advice on bladder and bowel control issues to all those directly or indirectly affected. This includes all members of the public such as clients, carers, students, health professionals and various health and community agencies.

We will be promoting the toilet training manual "One Step at a Time" at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference.

### EXHIBITOR NO. 4



#### Prompt Education

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Contact - Tara Hearne, Director

Most companies are created due to necessity; **Prompt Education** was created for such a need. Tara Hearne, the founder of the company and a mother of two beautiful children created Prompt Education in August 2004 only 2 years after her eldest son had been diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum with moderate to severe autism.

Visual Aids "Flash Cards" are a vital part of learning for any disabled child and when Tara was trying to find more visual aids that could help her son develop she kept finding that the prices of the software or Flash cards were out of her reach so she made her own. Almost immediately other parents requested her visual aids for their children and within months the company was flourishing.

Prompt Education have developed a useful educational tool to aid the comprehension and speech therapy for all children. These tools are often prescribed for children with learning disabilities such as Autism, Deafness, Lisp, ADD / ADHD, Down Syndrome, Receptive Delays, Asperger's Disorder, Dyslexia, Speech Impediments, Comprehensive Delays, English as a Second Language & Stuttering.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 5



### Chelsea's Challenges

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**Chelsea's Challenges** provides a service to professionals, families and carers assisting them in setting up visual communication supports for their clients.

We are able to create a wide range of visual aides that are tailored to each individual person's needs.

At the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference we will be exhibiting:

- Advertising & ordering of Communication Packages
- Sale of various Communication Aides, for example, Finish Boxes, Display Boards, Generic Communication Packages and Portapacks

## EXHIBITOR NO. 8



### FAS Equipment

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Established since 1989, **FAS** has been one of the major suppliers of equipment for disabled in Australia and Asia Pacific region. We specialise in paediatric equipment.

Our criteria of choosing equipment are that it must be Function, Adaptive, Supportive and at a reasonable price.

Over the years we carefully choose a wide range of quality equipment from reputable suppliers in the USA, UK and Australia, such as Rifton, Columbia Medical, Sammons Preston, Kaye, Theradapt, Chattanooga, Sunrise Medical, E-Z-On, Leckey, Dycem.

Specific equipment we will be exhibiting at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference include: Car seats, buckle guards and the E-Z-ON vest. All of this equipment can be used by people on the Autism Spectrum.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 6



Autism Behavioural Intervention  
ASSOCIATION | **ABIA**

### **Autism Behavioural Intervention Association**

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The **Autism Behavioural Intervention Association** is a not-for-profit parent and professional run organization. The ABIA was formed to support parents, professionals and students interested in intensive behavioural programs for young children with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). ABIA was founded in 1996 by a concerned group of parents who knew that the most appropriate method to educate their children was through Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA). ABA therapy provides a structured one-to-one learning environment for children with an ASD. It focuses on all areas of development including self-help skills, communication, play skills, academic skills and behaviour.

At the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference we will be displaying Resources, Services and Educational Programs.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 7

### **CO-ORDINATES THERAPY SERVICES**

Assessments, Books, Toys, Equipment, For All Stages and Ages

### **Coordinates Occupational Therapy Services**

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**Co-ordinates Therapy Services** has been a one-stop shop service for paediatric occupational therapists and physiotherapists all over Australia and New Zealand since 1990.

In 1994 our range of books, assessments, handwriting implements, game, specialised furniture, therapy and ADL equipment were expanded to also address adult related issues. This was to expand on our already wide range of child related products.

In 1997 we began publishing on behalf of authors and have now also expanded to marketing our services across the internet in order to provide an easy and efficient way for you to order from anywhere in the world.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 9



GLUTEN FREE FAVOURITES PTY. LTD.

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**Gluten Free Favourites** is a dedicated 100% gluten free food supplier and many of our products are also casein free. We are here to help people with Autism get ready to access gluten and casein free food at a reasonable price - no matter where they live. Subsequently, we would like to introduce our service to the delegates at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference.

We are a gluten free food supplier that looks to be a positive and supportive service. We see that for many, gluten and casein free food is an important part of a healthier lifestyle, and as such we seek to:

- Promote the health benefits of a gluten free lifestyle.
- Raise awareness of conditions benefited from a gluten free lifestyle.
- Save our customers time and money.
- Be an active part of the community and support organisations that support those less fortunate.
- Promote an understanding and consideration for those that need to adhere to a strict gluten and casein free diet.

Gluten Free Favourites ships anywhere in Australia, and has just recently started an international service.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 13



*Disability Means Possibility*

### Communication Resource Centre & C.A.R.M. - SCOPE

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The **Communication Resource Centre** is an innovative state wide service, working for people with complex communication needs to create inclusive environments. Our approach is person centred and we work within a community inclusion framework.

At the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference we will be displaying communication resources and materials to support people with autism and complex communication needs. For example;

- Visual timetables / diaries
- Activity Schedules
- Communication books and boards

## EXHIBITOR NO. 14

### **Wantirna Heights School**

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**Wantirna Heights School** will be displaying information including brochures regarding the schools' Autism specific educational programs and the visiting teacher outreach program. School published books and curriculum development support materials will be available for purchase from our exhibit at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 20



### **Innovative Communication Programming**

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**Innovative Communication Programming** is a dynamic business that provides support to people with severe communication impairments. We offer a range of solutions to facilitate effective and interactive communication whilst taking into consideration each person's own abilities, environments and tasks that need to be accomplished.

The mission of Innovative Communication Programming is to provide a professional, responsive and approachable service to support the communication needs of individuals with disabilities and complex communication needs. We also recognise the importance of the whole team and provide support to them so they can more effectively enhance the life of the individual they interact with.

## EXHIBITOR NO. 10, 11 & 12

<book in hand>

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<book in hand> is run by people who have family and friends on the autistic spectrum for Australian families and professionals involved with Autism Spectrum Disorders. We aim to bring you the widest collection of material in this field and related topics.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 21, 22 & 23**



**Footprint Books**

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**Footprint Books** is a total distribution service covering sales, marketing and warehousing of high quality, Academic and Specialist books. We represent publishers from USA, UK, Canada & New Zealand all of which you will find listed on the Publisher page of our website.

Our goal is to make available locally, outstanding educational and reference material for professionals, business people, students and lovers of learning in the Australasian marketplace

Find our Exhibit at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference to see a wide variety of Autism, Asperger Syndrome and other spectrum condition specific books.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 24 & 25**



**Spectronics**

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**Spectronics** is Australia's largest supplier of special needs software and assistive technologies. We prefer to think of our range as "inclusive learning technologies", being those technologies which foster real success and real inclusion in educational or community-based settings. Our team is made up of staff from teaching, speech pathology, occupational therapy, and technical backgrounds, and we work closely with a wide network of professionals and technology users - reflecting our commitment to providing quality support to both education and disability groups throughout Australia, New Zealand and Singapore.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 26**

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**Conni** is an innovative range of continence products designed using the very latest technology in absorbent fibres. The range consists of a washable bedpads, undergarments and mattress protectors. Conni is a relative newcomer to the industry, however we are already market leaders in the healthcare arena. We believe these products would significantly assist parents and those caring for people with Autism.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 27 & 28**

**SHARED EXHIBIT**

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Anna has been working with and supporting children and adolescents with Asperger's Syndrome using practical strategies for the past twelve years. She has written and implemented programs for individuals with Asperger's Syndrome and Autistic Spectrum Disorder in High School settings.

Anna regularly conducts sessions for a national training organisation on providing support to students with disabilities, developing positive relationships with students and communication skills. Anna is also the founding President of the Asperger's Syndrome Support Network (Qld) Inc, which has a membership of over 700 families.

Some of Anna's practical experience is from having a son with Asperger's Syndrome who was diagnosed at the age of 6 and who is now attending university.

Anna has been invited to present many practical papers at conferences throughout Australia and internationally. She has presented practical workshops for teachers, aides, principals, occupational therapists and direct support workers as well as parents. She has also been invited to present at Principals summits and Learning Support Teacher Cluster meetings.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 27 & 28****SHARED EXHIBIT****ACES**

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Sue Larkey is uniquely positioned within the Education system having both taught as a Primary School Teacher and Special Education Teacher. Sue has taught students with Autism Spectrum Disorder in the mainstream and at a Specialist Autism School. She combines this practical experience with extensive research, having completed a Masters in Special Education and currently undertaking a Doctorate in Education.

**EXHIBITOR NO. 27 & 28****SHARED EXHIBIT****ASD Consultancy and Support service**

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Deanne Michaels is a qualified community worker and has a Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies (Autism Spectrum Disorders). Deanne operates the Autism Spectrum Disorders Consultancy and Support service in Canberra. Through this service Deanne offers consultancy services to schools, community organisations, government and non-government organisations.

Deanne provides support and assistance to individuals with ASD and their families by way of advocacy, education, support and programs. Deanne is a proficient community educator and trainer and presents to many community organisations across the ACT and surrounding regions.

Deanne has written The Social and Friendship Skills Program for primary school age children with Asperger Syndrome, High Functioning Autism and ADHD. Find our Exhibit at the Autism Victoria 2005 State Conference to find out more about The Social and Friendship Skills Program.

