



# Familylinks Training Institute

## Autism Series

Presenter:

Patty Maxwell, M.Ed., M.S., BSL



### ***Autism Series:***

#### **Module 1 - Autism and the Types of Services Available for Educators and Families**

**January 26, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

There is no “one size fits all” when it comes to Autism. This training will support educators and families to better understand the many types of services and interventions available for children diagnosed on the Autism Spectrum. We will dive into specific examples with discussions and support what best suits kids of all developmental levels and ages. Participants will gain a better understanding of the many faces of autism and take a closer look into numerous options available for treatments with educational and home-based services.

### ***Autism Series:***

#### **Module 2 - Autism and Behavioral Techniques**

**February 23, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**Patty Maxwell**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

The word “behavior” seems to almost always be paired with Autism. Behavior serves a purpose! Typically, behaviors are for communication or lack thereof, attention, or escape. During this training we will look deeper at behavior by defining it, explore different types of behavior, and look at some behavioral techniques that may help decrease the frequency of behaviors.

### ***Autism Series:***

#### **Session 3 - Autism and Sensory Integration**

**March 30, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

We hear the word “sensory” quite a bit when working with a child on the Autism Spectrum. Why does my child cover his ears? Why is my child banging her head? What exactly does “sensory” mean? This training will help professionals and families find the answers to some of these questions and gain a better understanding of the sensory processing system. We will look at why it plays such a big part in our lives and explore sensory integration techniques that may help your kiddo find more comfort and happiness.

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#### **Module 4 - Autism and Communication**

**April 27, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

Communication challenges have always been a large concern related to Autism. Communication is more than just words. In fact, communication is actually quite complex. In this presentation, we will define communication, explore different modes of communication, and try to figure out what the best fit is for your child. Parents and professionals will gain a better understanding of how to evaluate and assist with their child's communication needs and explore specific techniques and interventions.

### **Autism Series:**

#### **Module 5 - Autism and Medical Conditions Typically Associated with Autism**

**May 25, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

Navigating the world of Autism is not an easy task. We will take a look at some of the medical issues, conditions, and other diagnoses that a child with Autism could be facing. During this training we look at medication management as well as alternative approaches and the pro's and con's associated with these choices.

### **Autism Series:**

#### **Session 6 - Autism and Supporting Families**

**June 29, 2021**

**9:30 – 12:30**

**\$55 – (includes LSW and PCB credits)**

Raising children is a full-time job. Raising a child with Autism can be even more intense! In this training we will look at different ways to not only support the child with Autism but also how to support their families so that they are able to thrive as a whole. We will dive into different types of supports, coping techniques and even discuss safety plans. We will look at the whole picture including education, health, safety and future planning.

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## About the Presenter

**Patty Maxwell** is a licensed Behavior Specialist (BSL) with over 20 years of experience working throughout the mental health field in various positions including wraparound, intensive case management, family based mental health services and Early Intervention. She is the owner of Engage Kidz LLC and currently supports children and family's virtually, in-home, school and in communities. Patty also supports teachers and professionals by coaching them through tough behavioral challenges and offers small and large group trainings. Her various educational background and experiences have allowed her to work with a wide range of ages (birth through adulthood) and supporting an array of learning abilities including individuals with autism, learning disabilities, behavioral challenges, intellectual disabilities and emotional disorders.

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