











Registrations Open 8.00 a.m.

HALL B





Plenary Session

| Time | Speaker | Topic | Chairperson |
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| 08.30 AM 09.00 AM | 🍴 Break time 🍴 | | |
| 09.00 AM 10.00 AM |  <p>Welcome of the Guest of Honour Inauguration by The Honourable Mayor Jim Diodatti Opening Address by The Honourable Mayor - Guest of Honor Felicitation of The Honourable Mayor</p> | | Dr. Richard Boles (USA) and Stacey Hoaglund (USA) |
| 10:00 AM 11:00 AM |  <p>Dr. Temple Grandin (USA) Keynote Speaker</p> | Great Minds Are Not All the Same | |
| 11:00 AM 11:30 AM |  <p>Dr. Alok Sharma (India)</p> | Evolution Of Autism Management Over The Last 50 Years | |
| 11:30 AM 12:00 PM |  <p>Thomas Iland (Ireland) End Keynote Speaker</p> | They Said We Couldn't, So We Did: Making Relationships Work When The Odds Are Against You | |
| 12:00 PM 12:15 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
| 12:15 PM 01:15 PM | Panel Discussion | | |
| 01:15 PM 02:15 PM | 🍴 Lunch Break 🍴 | | |
| 02:15 PM 03:15 PM |  <p>John Festervand (USA)</p> | Exclusive Screening of Dr. Temple Grandin's Documentary - "An Open Door" | Elizabeth Vosseller (USA) and Thomas Iland (USA) |
| 03:15 PM 03:45 PM |  <p>Dr. Richard Boles (USA)</p> | Mutations in Most People with Autism: How Finding One Can Significantly Change Therapies and Improve Outcomes | |
| 03:45 PM 04:15 PM |  <p>Dr. Teykia Deveaux (Bahamas)</p> | Autism in The Bahamas: From Awareness to Action | |
| 04:15 PM 04:45 PM |  <p>Jason Pottinger (Canada)</p> | Seeing Early: How Objective Brain Mapping Can Support Earlier Insight in Autism | |
| 04:45 PM 05:15 PM |  <p>Stacey Hoaglund (USA)</p> | Deciphering Noise from Steps to Achieve Meaningful Autism Outcomes | |
| 05:15 PM 05:45 PM |  <p>Natalie Pelto (Canada)</p> | Cracking the Code to Speech: How the Gut-Liver-Brain Pathway and Folate Deficiency Hold the Missing Links" | |
| 05:45 PM 06:00 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
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HALL A

Symposium on Biomedical Foundations, Brain Health & Co-Occurring Conditions in Autism

| Time | Speaker | Topic | Chairperson |
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| 09:00 AM 09:25 AM |  Dr. Sonya Doherty (Canada) | Leucovorin, Folate, B12 and Methylation | Dr. Richard Boles (USA) and Jason Pottinger (Canada) |
| 09:25 AM 09:50 AM |  Dr. Carissa Doherty (Canada) | PANDAS and Chronic Lyme | |
| 09:50 AM 10:15 AM |  Dr. Nandini Gokulchandran (India) | Neuroimaging in Autism | |
| 10:15 AM 10:40 AM |  Dr. Natalie Rahr (Canada) | Nervous System Regulation First : Biomedical Foundations for Supporting the Neurodivergent Brain and the Whole Child | |
| 10:40 AM 11:10 AM | Question & Answer Session | | |
| 11:10 AM 11:25 AM | 🍴 Break Time 🍴 | | |






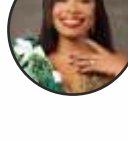
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Symposium on Nervous System Regulation, Executive Function & Educational Empowerment in Autism

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| 11:25 AM 11:50 AM |  Dr. Thiago Lopes Dutra (Brazil) | The Importance of Epilepsy Control in the Behavior of Autistic Individuals. | Stacey Hoaglund (USA) and Dr. Carissa Doherty (Canada) |
| 11:50 AM 12:15 PM |  Dr. Sonali Kataria (India) | Maximise Productivity & Inclusivity for Autistic Individuals | |
| 12:15 PM 12:40 PM |  Dr. Joe Datt (UK) | Thinking outside of the box of the Neurodevelopmental pathway | |
| 12:40 PM 01:05 PM |  Elizabeth Vosseller (USA) | Speech Is Not the Same as Thought: Understanding Communication in Nonspeaking Individuals | |
| 01:05 PM 01:35 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
| 01:35 PM 02:35 PM | 🍴 Lunch Break 🍴 | | |

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Symposium on Strength-Based and Inclusive Frameworks in Autism

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| 02:35 PM 03:00 PM |  Dr. Zee (Canada/USA) | Living on the Spectrum: A Neurodiversity-Based Approach to Autism and Broad Spectrum Micronutrient Therapy | Dr. Sonali Kataria (India) and Dr. Joe Datt (UK) |
| 03:00 PM 03:25 PM |  Dr. Zee (Canada/USA) | Living on the Spectrum: A Neurodiversity-Based Approach to Autism and Broad Spectrum Micronutrient Therapy | |
| 03:25 PM 03:50 PM |  Paola Egusquiza (Canada) | Functional Communication Training - FCT- an intervention procedure to increase appropriate communication responses, and decrease challenging behaviours | |
| 03:50 PM 04:15 PM |  Monica Van Schaik (Canada) | Rock the Boat: Building Resilience in the Face of Ableism | |
| 04:15 PM 04:40 PM |  Fakhshad Bhetasi (Canada) | Autism Assessment For Preschool Kids | |
| 04:40 PM 05:05 PM |  Dr. Sylvia Mochabo Akinsiku (Kenya) | Power of Early intervention and caregivers advocacy | |
| 05:05 PM 05:35 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
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HALL B

Symposium on Therapeutic Interventions – Art, Music, Sensory, OT & Regulation

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| 09:00 AM 09:25 AM |  Aksana Kavaliova Moussi (Canada) | Music Therapy for Autism: From Developmental Goals (Speech and Language, Motor, Cognitive) To Emotional Skills And Regulation | Thomas Iland (USA) and Dr. Jennifer Brunton (USA) |
| 09:25 AM 09:50 AM |  Julia Beth Kowaleski (Canada) | The Role of Music-Based Intervention for Motor Skills in Autism Spectrum Disorder | |
| 09:50 AM 10:15 AM |  Dr. Mylene Juneau (Canada) | The Penny That DoubledUnlocking Wellness with Self-Compassion & Growth Mindset | |
| 10:15 AM 10:40 AM |  Rita Mastrangelo (Canada) | Understanding the Gut-Brain Connection in Autism: How Biological Stressors Influence Behavior, Regulation and Daily Function | |
| 10:40 AM 11:10 AM | Question & Answer Session | | |
| 11:10 AM 11:25 AM |  Break Time  | | |









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Symposium on Neurodivergence Across the Lifespan: Self-Regulation, Strengths & Workplace Inclusion

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| 11:25 AM 11:50 AM |  Maddy Dever (Canada) | Moving Beyond Neurodiversity to a NeuroTapestry | Dr. Sonya Doherty (Canada) and Rita Mastrangelo (Canada) |
| 11:50 AM 12:15 PM |  Erin Porter (Canada) | The Power of Self-Regulation: Beyond Behaviours | |
| 12:15 PM 12:40 PM |  Dr. Jennifer Brunton (USA) | Building Independence | |
| 12:40 PM 01:05 PM |  Dr. Valeria Risoli (UAE) | Neurodivergence in Highly Qualified Professional Environments: Beyond the Definition of Disorder | |
| 01:05 PM 01:35 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
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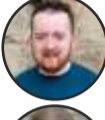

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Symposium on Brain-Body Health and Lifespan Participation in Autism

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| 02:35 PM 03:00 PM |  Tyrone Greenidge (Canada) | Dear Grandpa, It's Michael | Dr. Thiago Lopes Dutra (Brazil) and Elissa R. Mandel (USA) |
| 03:00 PM 03:25 PM |  Rupali Gupta (India) | Role of Nutrition in Autism | |
| 03:25 PM 03:50 PM |  Chris Weakly (USA) | Connecting Neurodivergence and The Travel Industry | |
| 03:50 PM 04:15 PM |  Jill Leonard (Canada) | Employment for ALL: Are we there yet? | |
| 04:15 PM 04:40 PM |  Lyndsy Moffatt (USA) | Beyond Symptoms: A Deeper Look at Underlying Factors and Comorbidities in Autism | |
| 04:40 PM 05:05 PM |  Dr. Zohraida Karim (USA) | From Labels to Lenses: Reframing Autism Through Compassionate Understanding | |
| 05:05 PM 05:35 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
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Symposium on Community Inclusion, Lived Experience & Family Empowerment

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| 09:00 AM 09:25 AM |  Suzanne Perreault (Canada) | Unmasking Resilience: Autistic Gifts, Agency, and the Path to Inclusive Community | Dr. Zee (Canada/USA) and Mercy Mbogori Kairichi (Kenya) |
| 09:25 AM 09:50 AM | _____ | _____ | |
| 09:50 AM 10:15 AM |  Sarah Glofcheskie (Canada) | Stronger Together: Using Data to Empower Teams and Support Families | |
| 10:15 AM 10:40 AM |  James Scannell (USA) &  Becky Reist (Canada) | Presuming Competence: A Dive Into The Nonspeaking Perspective On How To Presume Competence To Change Lives For The Better | |
| 10:40 AM 11:10 AM | Question & Answer Session | | |
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Symposium on Voices, Insight & Strong Futures

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| 11:25 AM 11:50 AM |  Peter Mann (USA) | What I Wish My Parents Had Known: A Selectively Mute Child's Journey to CEO | Natalie Pelto (Canada) and Paola Egusquiza (Canada) |
| 11:50 AM 12:15 PM |  Matt Raekelboom (Canada) | Neurodiversity and the Characters we need to learn to play as | |
| 12:15 PM 12:40 PM |  Daniel M. Jones (Canada) | 3 Most Misunderstood Autism Traits | |
| 12:40 PM 01:05 PM |  Elissa R. Mandel (USA) | Beyond Silence: Understanding How Autistic Minds Learn to Communicate | |
| 01:05 PM 01:35 PM | Question & Answer Session | | |
| 01:35 PM 02:35 PM | 🍴 Lunch Break 🍴 | | |

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Symposium on Family Support in Autism: Planning, Intervention, and Communication

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| 02:35 PM 03:00 PM |  Rosetta Walker-Iland (Ireland) | Dating, Love & Relationships | Suzanne Perreault (Canada) and Thomas Iland (Ireland) |
| 03:00 PM 03:25 PM |  Preeti Sidhu (Canada) | Insurance and Protection Planning for Autism Families: What You Must Know | |
| 03:25 PM 03:50 PM |  Shakhlo Sharipova (Canada) | Building Strong Futures: The Power of Community-Based Services in Autism Support | |
| 03:50 PM 04:15 PM |  Mercy Mbogori Kairichi (Kenya) | Three Peas In a Pod "Raising Triplets with Autism: Triumphs, Trials, and Tips" | |
| 04:15 PM 04:40 PM |  Krishnaveni Kannan (India) | Training Parents as Co-Therapists in Home Settings "Empowering Parents as Co-Therapists: Extending Autism Intervention Beyond the Clinic" | |
| 04:40 PM 05:05 PM |  Yasmeen Alqallaf (Kuwait) | Home based intervention and my success story with my son | |
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