Social Stories One-Day Workshop

Carol Gray will be delivering a one-day workshop on Social Stories in London for the National Autistic Society.

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Carol Gray is a consultant, speaker, and author serving people with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and those who work on their behalf. She is best known for developing Social Stories™ and her groundbreaking work on bullying, loss and learning, and the habits of effective educators. Carol is the recipient of several awards for her international contributions to the education and welfare of children with ASD.

Workshop details

Cost   £150 + VAT

Date   17 May 2013

Time   9.30am – 4.30pm

Venue   Euston Square Hotel
152-156 North Gower Street
London
NW1 2LU

Target Audience

Anyone working on behalf of children, adolescents, or adults diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders.

Bookings

To book a place on this course, please contact us:

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Description

In their 22 year history, Social Stories™ (and Social Articles for adults) have helped individuals with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) understand and respond more effectively to daily interactions and events. A Social Story™ accurately describes a situation, skill, or concept according to 10 defining criteria. These criteria guide how each Story is researched, developed, and implemented. This helps to ensure that each Story has as overall patient and supportive quality, and a format, "voice", and relevant content that are descriptive and meaningful. Training in the use of the approach is critical to maximize the effectiveness of each Story. The goal is to build positive social concepts and skills, while ensuring that the text and illustration is individually tailored. At the same time, each Story must be physically, socially, and emotionally safe for the Reader. As an evidence-based practice, Social Stories™ have earned the respect - and the enthusiastic affection - of parents and professionals alike.

This lively and fast-paced one-day workshop uses lecture and demonstration, along with individual and team activities to teach participants to research, develop, and implement Social Stories™. Participants leave knowing what Social Stories™ really are, as well as the research that supports their use. The curriculum covers the Social Story™ philosophy, research, and rationale, along with the 10 criteria and basic skills that are critical to the development of every Story. At the close of this workshop, participants are equipped with everything they need to write safe Stories with the greatest potential for the acquisition and generalization of social concepts and skills.

Learning outcomes

Participants will be able to…

a) Outline the philosophy and research-based rationale of every Social Story;
b) Explain how the Social Story goal may be used by any parent or professional to determine what is – and is not – a Social Story,
c) List the 10 criteria that ensure the integrity and safety of every Story;
d) Define basic Social Story™ terms, including but not limited to the 7 types of sentences;
e) Describe how research and philosophy create important ties between how a Story is researched, developed, and implemented;
f) Write a Social Story.