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July 2019

4TH NATIONAL
AUTISM SYMPOSIUM

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North West University, Potchefstroom

PROGRAM

8 JULY

8:00	Registration EXHIBITION	
9:00-9:05	Welcoming and housekeeping Prof Kobus du Plooy	
9:10-9:30	Opening Prof Pieter Kruger - Head: Institute of Psychology & Wellbeing	
Time	Presenter	Title
9:30-10:30	Dr Gregory Lamb – Neurologist, University of Pretoria	The Pathogenesis of Autism: How the different pathways and brain regions contribute to the autistic phenotype
10:30-11:00	Tea	EXHIBITION
11:00-11:45	Prof Shakila Dada - Speech-language therapist, University of Pretoria	Alternative and Augmentative Communication for Children with Autism: The effect of AAC input on the understanding of language in children with Autism.
11:45-12:30	Dr Janine van der Linde - Occupational therapist, University of the Witwatersrand	Let's talk Sensory Integration
12:30-13:15	Corne Strydom - Director Timian Training	Timian Training Principles: "In this place, and with these people, I feel safe"
13:15-	Lunch	EXHIBITION

14:15		
14:15-15:00	Reinette Lombard - Remedial therapist and Co-founder of Independent Learning	Enabling a Holistic Approach to Autism Spectrum Disorder
15:00-15:45	Emile Gouws - Autistic adult, Educator and Ph.D. candidate at University of Pretoria	Maintain Regulation and Manage Meltdowns
15:45-16:15	Comfort break	
16:15-17:00	Sumaya Babama - Speech-language therapist, Director of Jozi4Autism	"I think, therefore I can". Philosophical Enquiry as a Provocation to do Education for Autistic Children Differently
17:00-17:15	Panel discussion	Questions from the Audience
17:15	Please remember to sign the attendance register for the day Enjoy the evening!	

9 JULY

8:00	Registration EXHIBITION	
8:45-9:00	Welcome to the Movies! Video presentations	
Time	Presenter	Title
9:00-9:45	Dr. Carla Groenewald - Specialist Child Psychiatrist	Autism from Tummies to Toes!
9:45-10:30	Dr. Ensa Johnson - Centre for Alternative and Augmentative Communication, University of Pretoria	Pain Communication and Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder: a review of the literature
10:30-11:00	Tea	EXHIBITION
11:00-11:45	Amanda Draper - Professional Music Educator, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL USA	Music Education and Autism Spectrum Disorder
11:45-12:30	Nicola Sowah - Director of S2C South African community	Spelling to Communicate
12:30-12:45	Panel discussion	Questions from the audience

12:45-13:45	Lunch	EXHIBITION
13:45-14:30	Retha Faurie - Autistic self-advocate	The Assumptions of Allistics Make Life Hard for Autistics: How can allistics be more sensitive to the needs of their autistic family members, clients, students and employees?
14:30-15:15	Prof Chris Venter and Rumando Kok, Psychologists, North West University	The Autism Voice: Stories and reflections of Autistic adults, parents of children with Autism and the professionals that listened
15:15-15:45	Comfort break	
15:45-16:15	Dr Liezl Schlebusch - Social researcher, University of Cape Town	Update on the DiamondD Project: Caregiver Skills Training, World Health Organization
16:15-16:45	Institute of Psychology & Wellbeing and Neurada, North West University	Connecting to Step Ahead: An Autism story
16:45	Closing Keep in touch and travel safe!	