

DEC Early Intervention SIG Webinar: Early Screening, Detection and Intervention for Infants and Toddlers with or at risk for Autism Spectrum Disorder

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Presenter: Jennifer L. Stapel-Wax, Psy.D, Associate Professor, Division of Autism and Related Disorders, Department of Pediatrics, Emory University School of Medicine & Director of the Infant Toddler Community Research Core, Marcus Autism Center/ Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (jennifer.stapel-wax@emory.edu)

Agenda: In this 1 hour presentation we hope to increase your understanding of:

- 1- Autism Spectrum Disorders in Infants and Toddlers
- 2- Early Screening and Detection of ASD in infants and toddlers
- 3- Promising early intervention methodologies for children at risk for ASD
- 4- Community based integrated models to empower and bring capacity to providers, caregivers, and families of children with ASD

Biography: Dr. Stapel-Wax has a 22-year career in clinical work specializing in assessment and intervention with young children, neurodevelopmental disorders and consultation/liaison in multiple systems of care. She has taught graduate students and supervised interns and fellows for over 15 years at Emory University, the Georgia School of Professional Psychology and at the Marcus Autism Center. Her current research focus is as an investigator in an NIH Autism Center of Excellence and on NIH study on Mobilizing Community Systems. Dr. Stapel-Wax served as the Principal Investigator on several community based grants that address early screening and intervention of infants and toddlers at risk for neurodevelopmental disorders. She is also leading several outreach efforts to build a community viable healthcare system for infants and toddlers. She is the principal investigator and one of the key leaders behind a prevention effort for all children.



She completed her doctorate in clinical psychology at the Georgia School of Professional Psychology and her internship in pediatric behavioral medicine and neurodevelopmental disabilities at Miami Children's Hospital. Dr. Stapel-Wax completed her postdoctoral fellowship in neuropsychology and neurodevelopmental disabilities at the Marcus Center/Emory University postdoctoral fellowship program.

Dr. Stapel-Wax's clinical and research interests are in the areas of development and assessment of young children, neurodevelopmental disorders, and teaching, training and supervision. Dr. Stapel-Wax



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uses her clinical and interpersonal strengths in building collaborative and consultative relationships among professional colleagues in the community and other institutions. She is also an accomplished speaker and teacher as well as an expert in building of strong collaborative relationships focused on training, education, and service delivery.

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