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The 2008 NADS Conference
on Down Syndrome

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Saturday,
November 8, 2008

Donald E. Stephens Conference Center,
Rosemont, IL



CONFERENCE

SCHEDULE

- 8:00-9:00 AM **Registration**
- 9:00-9:15 AM **Welcoming Remarks**
Jackie Rotondi, President
Sheila Hebein, Executive Director
- 9:15-10:15 AM **Something To Look Forward To**
Patricia E. Bauer
Journalist, Author and Parent
Publisher of Patricia E. Bauer
News & Commentary on Disability Issues
Atlanta, GA
- 10:15-10:45 AM. **Sharing My Life Experiences**
Carrie Bergeron Desai, Self Advocate
Rome, New York
- 10:45-11:00 AM **Break**
- 11:00-12:30 PM **Workshops** (See List of Workshops)
- 12:30-1:30 PM **Lunch**
- 1:30-3:00 PM **Workshops**
- 3:00-3:15 PM **Break**
- 3:15-4:30 PM **Workshops** Continued



Carrie
Bergeron
Desai

En Español

Workshops in Spanish will be offered. For details call NADS at 630-325-9112 or
download Spanish Registration Form at www.nads.org

CONFERENCE FOR TEENS AND ADULTS

Conference for teens and adults with Down syndrome (16 and over) will run
concurrently with the general conference. Space in this workshop will be
limited, so send in your registration early. NADS members will be given first
priority until September 25th. **Absolutely no on-site registration.**

- 8:00-9:00 AM **Registration** (General Registration Area)
- 9:00-9:30 AM **Welcome and Introductions**
- 9:30-Noon Participants will rotate through the following 3 workshops:
Bring Your Phone and Let's Talk
Karen M. Hurst, MS., CCC. SLP/L
Eating Right and Moving to Stay Healthy
Megan Niklas, Self-Advocate
Angie Picchi, Self-Advocate
Hitting the Social Scene
Terri Couwenhoven, MS, AASECT, Sex Educator – and
Mom
- Noon-1:30 PM **Lunch**
- 1:30-3:00 **Interactive Drama**
Christine Rehak-Grohne, Dramatics Teacher
- 3:00-4:30 PM **Everybody Dance**

WORKSHOPS

Conference attendees will be able to attend **3** workshops

For persons interested in young children with Down syndrome (birth - 3 years):

- 1. Communication and the Child with Down Syndrome**
Laura Drower, MS., SLP
Julie Levin, MS., SLP
Co-owners of Wee Speech
Skokie, IL
- 2. The Wonder Years – Medical and Developmental Concerns**
Cathy DiVincenzo, MD
Kids First Pediatric Partners
Skokie, IL
- 3. Moving from Early Intervention to Special Education Services: What Parents Should Know**
Gina Musielski
Parent Liaison
Child and Family Connections
Arlington Heights, IL
- 4. Ear, Nose and Throat Concerns in Children with Down Syndrome**
Fuad M. Barood, MD, FACS
Director of Pediatric Otolaryngology
University of Chicago Medical Center, Chicago, IL

For persons interested in school age children (4 - 12 years)

- 5. Empowering Parents to Help Their Child Learn Reading and Math**
Based on Learning Program of Orange County, CA
Julie Williams,
Parent and Instructor
Mary Sinnett, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher
Parent & Learning Program
Down Syndrome Association of St. Louis, MO
- 6. Diagnosing Autism and ADHD in Children with Down Syndrome**
Elina Manghi, Psy.D., Coordinator of Psychological Services, Family Clinic, Department of Disabilities and Human Development, University of Illinois at Chicago.
- 7. Looking at Children with New Eyes - Sensory Integration and Sensory Processing**
Jennifer M. Rosinia, M.Ed., OTR/L, Kid Link Unlimited, Inc.
Lansing, IL
- 8. Navigating the Complexity of Childhood Apraxia of Speech; Improving Speech Intelligibility in Children with Down Syndrome**
Jerri Z. Krantz, M.A., CCC-SLP
Clinical Director
Cawn, Krantz & Associates
Developmental Therapies
Northbrook, IL

For persons interested in adolescent and adult issues

- 9. Education on Sexuality for Individuals with Down Syndrome**
Terri Couwenhoven, MS, AASECT
Sex Educator and Parent
Port Washington, WI
- 10. Health and Psychosocial Issues in Teens and Adults with Down Syndrome**
Brian Chicoine, MD,
Medical Director
Dennis McGuire, Ph.D, Director of Psychosocial Services
Adult Down Syndrome Center
Park Ridge, IL
- 11. Facilitating Independence in Adolescents-What Families can do to Help**
Joshua Falk, MA
Transition Program, Community Unit District 203
Naperville, IL

Donald E. Stephens Conference Center
located within the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
9301 W. Bryn Mawr
Rosemont, IL 60018
Phone: 847-692-2220



REGISTER EARLY! ▶

Hotel Accommodations

NADS is holding a block of rooms at: Doubletree Hotel O'Hare/Rosemont
5460 North River Road
Rosemont, IL 60018

To get the NADS Conference Rate of \$95 + tax per night call 847-292-9100 and tell them you are with the NADS conference.

Other nearby hotels:

Embassy Suites O'Hare: 847-678-4000
Hyatt Regency: 847-696-1234
Sofitel Hotel O'Hare: 800-434-6835

Public Transportation

Subway: Take the Blue Line to River Road
Rosemont Station: 2 blocks south
CTA/RTA Phone: 312-836-7000

Special topics of interest to all age levels:

- 12. From Defiance to Compliance- Understanding Opposition in Children with Down Syndrome**
Alice Belgrade, MS., Ed., LCPC
Chicago Behavior Consultants
Chicago, IL
- 13. Financial Planning for Children with Special Needs**
Monte G. Luzadder, CFA, CFP
Senior Financial Advisor
Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc., Chicago, IL
- 14a. Toilet Training Children with Down Syndrome Ages 3-8**
Patti Boheme, MS, LCPC
Vice-President Children's Services
Little Friends, Naperville, IL
- 14b. Toilet Training Children with Down Syndrome Ages 9 and older**
Patti Boheme, MS, LCPC
Vice-President Children's Services
Little Friends, Naperville, IL
- 15. Music Therapy: Therapeutic Tunes Throughout a Lifetime**
Melaine T. Pohlman, MT-BC, DT
Private Practice
Geneva, IL
- 16. Celiac Disease in Children with Down Syndrome**
Stefano Guandalini, MD
Professor of Pediatrics
Director, Celiac Disease Center
University of Chicago, Chicago, IL
- 17. The Importance of Visual Aids at Home and at School**
Cara Long, Parent
Parent Liaison
Easter Seals DuPage and the Fox Valley Region
Nancy Geary, Parent
Patient Advocate
Adult Down Syndrome Center
- 18. Growing up with Down Syndrome A Question and Answer Session**
Carrie Bergeron Desai,
Self Advocate
Peggy Bergeron,
Carrie's Mom
Rome, NY
- 19. Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) Not a Substitution but a Solution for Ineffective Natural Speech**
Trina Becker, MS., CCC/SLP
Communication Disorders & Sciences Dept.
Eastern Illinois University
Charleston, IL

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For Online Registration, Go To www.NADS.org

Name(s)

Address.....

City State..... Zip.....

Phone.....

Add me to the NADS E-mail alert list. E-mail

Parent Professional Other

Person with Down syndrome (16 or over)

Please mark the three workshops you wish to attend:

- 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
 11 12 13 14a 14b 15 16 17 18 19

Program for teens and adults with Down syndrome.

[Open only to teens and adults with Down syndrome sixteen and over.]

Age of participant with Down syndrome

I am a professional and wish to apply for CEU Credits [Must apply prior to conference.]

PRE-REGISTRATION FEES [Includes lunch]

Parent \$65 Number Attending x \$65 \$

Professional \$80 Number Attending x \$80 \$

Teen/Adult with DS \$40 Number Attending x \$40 \$

Registration the day of the Conference is \$85 (Excludes Lunch)

NADS MEMBERSHIP DUES

Parent \$25 (1 Year) \$70 (3 Years) \$

Professional \$30 (1 Year) \$85 (3 Years) \$

New member Renewal

Total Amount Enclosed \$

Make checks payable to: NADS

Mail check and registration form to:

Adult Down Syndrome Center
Conference Registration
1999 Dempster Street
Park Ridge, IL 60068

**Deadline for Registration:
OCTOBER 23, 2008**

**No Refunds After:
OCTOBER 30, 2008**

A \$20 PROCESSING FEE WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM ALL REQUESTS FOR REFUND OF REGISTRATION FEES