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- \_\_\_ Waived for GCSOM staff & faculty with email address
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- \_\_\_ \$10 for all other students
- \_\_\_ \$40 all other participants

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## Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine

presents

### Keystone Symposium Fall 2017

### Innovations in Autism Awareness and Diagnosis

Tuesday, Oct. 3  
5:30 – 8:30 p.m.

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## Program overview

The Autism Society estimates that there are more than 3 million people, adults and children, living with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in the United States today. Many of these people are undiagnosed and have not received treatment. The Autism Spectrum Report, compiled by The Institute for Public Policy and Economic Development and reviewed by the Autism Task Force of the Behavioral Health Initiative at the Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine, reports a significant need for increased awareness, proper screening and diagnosis, genetic testing, treatment plans, autism services, vocational training, counseling and respite care for individuals and families challenged by ASD.

### Who should attend

- Physicians – internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry, emergency medicine, resident physicians
- Psychologists, social workers, counselors
- Nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, therapists
- Parents, educators, first responders
- Social service providers, students, faculty

## Objectives

At the completion of this course, the participant should be able to:

- Identify the need for screening all children based on signs and symptoms using evidence-based guidelines in order to obtain early intervention treatment services as soon as possible.
- Describe an increased awareness of the range of abilities that exist among individuals, including those living with autism.
- Discuss new strategies for improving understanding and sensitivity when interacting with individuals living with autism.
- Identify an understanding of the evidence-based, best practices for autism treatment modalities.
- Explain evolution of genetic testing and the impact it is having on directing treatment modalities.

### Schedule:

**4:45 – 5:30 p.m.**

*Registration/refreshments/welcome*

**5:30 – 6:30 p.m.**

Brenda Finucane, LGC

Autism and Developmental Medicine Institute,  
Geisinger

*Advances in genetic diagnosis and practical implications for people with Autism Spectrum Disorder*

**6:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

*Keynote session:*

Rick Guidotti, Positive Exposure

*The Spirit of Difference*

**7:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

Panel discussion

*ASD Support: From Research to Quality of Life*

#### Panelists:

[David Ledbetter, PhD](#)

Executive Vice President and Chief Scientific Officer, Geisinger

[Thomas Challman, MD](#)

Medical Director and Neurodevelopmental Pediatrician, ADMI, Geisinger

[James Martin](#)

Vice President, Friendship House, Scranton

[Michael Williams](#)

Director, Independent Living Services Center for Independent Living, Scranton

#### Moderator:

[Christa Lese Martin, PhD](#)

Director and Professor, ADMI, Geisinger

## Continuing education credits approved

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### Social workers

NASW-PA Chapter is a co-sponsor of this workshop. Three CEs will be awarded for completion of this course. NASW has been designated as a pre-approved provider of professional continuing education for social workers (Section 47.36), marriage and family therapists (Section 48.36) and professional counselors (Section 49.36) by the PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors.

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- No refunds will be made on or after Wednesday, Sept. 27.