



UW AUTISM CENTER
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News & Notes

Illuminating Autism: Building Communities

Please join us for our
3rd Annual Dinner & Auction
Rainier Club, 820 4th Ave, Seattle, WA 98104
Saturday, January 26, 2019 at 6pm
Order Tickets Here:
<https://uwautism.ejoinme.org/IlluminatingAutism>



On **January 26, 2019**, UWAC will host *Illuminating Autism: Building Transformational Communities* to support under-funded care for families including our Infant Clinic, APEX summer camp for school-aged children, and diagnostic evaluations for adults. The evening is designed to bring together our autism family to celebrate clinical and scientific progress and to build a community of supporters that will drive future discoveries and program advances. The event will include presentations highlighting the Center's efforts in outreach and involvement with local, statewide, national and international communities, as well as time to have fun and participate in live and silent auctions.

Staff Spotlight

The UWAC welcomes the newest members of our team: **Anna Wendt, M.S. and Carly Weinreb M.S. CCC-SLP**

A message from Anna: "My name is Anna Wendt, and I am the new Research Study Assistant for IBIS at the UW Autism Center. I am originally from Missouri, and moved to Washington to complete my Masters in Experimental Psychology. I moved to Seattle after graduating from Central Washington University in June. I'm honored to join the team here at CHDD!"



A message from Carly: "Hi, I'm Carly- I just moved to Seattle from New York City and I'm very excited to be joining the UWAC team! I am a nationally certified speech-language pathologist with a Certificate of Clinical Competence (CCC) from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA). I completed my master's degree in speech-language pathology from Columbia University, Teachers College and my bachelor's degree in communication sciences and disorders at The Pennsylvania State University. I would love to chat with you about expressive communication, understanding language, feeding and swallowing, social and play skills, and Augmentative and alternative communication (AAC). Please feel free to connect with me through the UWAC starting in January 2019."



The UWAC would like to highlight the efforts of one of our many wonderful Behavior Technicians, **Jesse Tibbits!**

Jesse joined the UWAC team as a Behavior Technician in June 2017. Originally from West Seattle, she moved to Northampton, Massachusetts for college. She graduated from Smith College with a BA in Psychology, while also rowing for the Smith College crew team. She is planning on pursuing a degree in education and/or special education, and possibly clinical psychology

Upcoming Trainings

ADOS-2 Advanced Research Workshop

The UW Autism Center is excited to offer workshops on the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS-2), a gold standard, autism diagnostic tool. These trainings are designed for researchers and providers with at least a Master's level degree and a background in autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and testing. Workshops are facilitated by Clinical Psychologist and Research Scientist at the University of Washington Autism Center, **Tanya St. John, Ph.D.**

January 8-9, 2019
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
UWAC - Seattle

Who should attend?

Professionals who want to further their clinical competence with the ADOS-2 and/or work towards establishing research levels of reliability on the administration and coding standards. Individuals planning to use the ADOS-2 in research studies must establish reliability on the measure.



What are the prerequisites?

All trainees are expected to have attended an in-person ADOS or ADOS-2 Introductory Clinical Training through UWAC, CADB, UMACC, WPS or an Independent Trainer. Prior to attending, trainees must record themselves administering two modules from the ADOS-2 with individuals who meet criteria on ASD and submit them prior to or bring them to the workshop. Individualized feedback on these recorded administrations will be provided by the trainer. Completion of the pre-course recordings is a key step in achieving research reliability and prepares trainees for post-course work.

What content will be covered?

During this 2-day workshop, trainees will work with an experienced trainer and will have the opportunity to practice administering and scoring the ADOS-2 modules with typically developing children and those who have ASD. Individualized feedback will be provided on administration and scoring. Upon completion of this workshop, trainees will be provided with additional guideline materials for use in establishing research reliability. The workshop fee includes post-course reliability scoring if submitted within three months of the training date.

Cost

\$2045 per person

Includes parking and lunch

[Read more](#)

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Hanen *More Than Words* Certification Workshop

The UWAC will be hosting a Hanen *More Than Words* Certification Workshop from January 30th - February 1st, 2019. This includes 3 full days of practical, experiential training. *More Than Words* was developed for Speech Language Pathologists to provide them with strategies in working with young children with autism and their families.

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Research

IBIS School-Aged Study

Our team from the IBIS-SA Follow-Up have been making trips to the University of Utah Imaging Center to scan the brains of participants as part of this longitudinal study. **Robin Finlayson, M.Ed. BCBA** and MRI Technician **Mindy Dixon** are shown here presenting some of the fun brain swag they picked up while working at the Imaging Center.



Run 2 Pieces

Run 2 Pieces 5K, 10K, and Kids Dash

The 5th anniversary of Run 2 Pieces will take place on Saturday, March 23, 2019, 9:00am at Willis Tucker Park in Snohomish. This



wonderful event benefits the UW Autism Center's [Family Scholarship Fund](#). Registration is currently open for you to join us for this fantastic event!

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