

# Understanding Neurodiversity: Professional Approaches to Autism and ADHD



## FEATURING:

- Evidence-based strategies for incorporating family dynamics into ADHD treatment.
- Insights from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry on the importance of a parenting focus.

Friday, January 24, 2025

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM ET

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(Online Synchronous Training)**

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## PRESENTED BY:



**Thomas Walsh, MSW, LISW-CP/s**



**Riena Kain, LISW- CP, LSCSW, ADHD-CCSP**

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## AGENDA

8:45 AM ET – 9:00 AM ET:	Log in and Virtual Networking
9:00 AM ET – 12:00 PM ET:	Clinical Techniques for Psychotherapy with Autism Spectrum Disorder: <b>Thomas Walsh MSW LISW-CP/s</b> (Includes a 10-minute break)
12:00 PM ET – 12:40 PM ET:	Lunch
12:40 PM ET – 4:00 PM ET:	Family-Centered Approaches to ADHD Treatment: Strategies and Insights: <b>Riena Kain, LISW-CP, LCSW, ADHD-CCSP</b> (Includes a 10-minute break)
4:00 PM ET:	Closing/Evaluations

In this engaging training, Mr. Walsh will demystify misconceptions about Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and improve your diagnostic skills by distinguishing ASD from similar conditions. Learn effective techniques for psychotherapy with ASD patients, accommodating their unique needs using methods like CBT and Motivational Interviewing. Additionally, Riena Kain will help participants discover the importance of a family-based approach in treating ADHD, as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. This training is designed to enhance your expertise in supporting neurodiverse individuals, empowering you to make a significant impact in their therapeutic journeys.

## BY THE END OF THE SESSION, THE PARTICIPANT WILL BE ABLE TO:

1. Examine misconceptions about the causation of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
2. Identify criteria for diagnosing Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
3. Develop techniques to improve therapeutic outcomes for patients with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
4. Explain the reasons for implementing a family-based approach in the treatment of ADHD.
5. Describe the diagnosis of ADHD and its impact on executive functioning skills.

*Course Interaction and Technical Requirements:* This live webinar is fully interactive. Attendees may ask and answer questions throughout the presentation and participate in instructor-led discussions. A computer or mobile device is required. Zoom account is *not* required. You will receive an email approximately 24 hours prior to the start of the class with a link to the webinar.

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Target audience: Social workers, case managers, discharge planners, nurses, counselors, and other healthcare professionals.

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## PRESENTER BIOS:



### **Thomas Walsh MSW LISW-CP/s**

Thomas Walsh is a Licensed Independent Social Work Clinical Practitioner and Supervisor. He has been working in the field of mental health for over 24 years. He graduated from Bridgewater State University in 1995 with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a minor in Sociology. Mr. Walsh attended Salem State University and graduated with a Master's degree in Social Work in 1998. After graduation, Mr. Walsh worked as a student for Dr. Salvatore Minuchin for four months as part of a small project to teach new therapists mastery of Structural Family Therapy. Early in his career, he focused on working with children with autism in residential settings. Over the course of his career, Mr. Walsh has been licensed in three states and served the field of social work in a variety of sectors, including private, public, for-profit, and not-for-profit, and with a variety of age groups as a clinician, Team Leader, Program Director, Residential Director, and County Director. He is currently working for the Department of Mental Health and specializes with EMDR and Trauma Informed Therapy for First Responders and their families. He is also one of the State Department of Mental Health trainers and consultants for Motivational Interviewing. Over the course of his career, Mr. Walsh has led public trainings on topics such as Assessing Risk, Working with ASD Populations, and Motivational Interviewing. Most Recently, Mr. Walsh has begun supervising social workers who are working towards independent clinical licensure, and offering consultation services for Licensed Clinicians in private practice.



### **Riena Kain, LISW-CP, LSCSW, ADHD-CCSP**

Riena is a graduate of Upper Iowa University with a dual major bachelor's in psychology and human services and a master's degree in social work from Washburn University. Riena is an LISW-CP in South Carolina and a LSCSW in Kansas. Riena also holds an ADHD- Certified Clinical Services Provider title. She is a wife and mother who loves to travel, be in nature and spend time with her dogs and a good book. Riena has over 12 years of experience in working with at-risk youth and adolescents. Her experience spans from child welfare social work, school-based therapy, and private practice. It is her hope to share her passion for ADHD with you today as we work toward growing our competency on a complex diagnosis.