



## Health Care Access for Individuals with Autism Across Ohio Tips and Strategies for Successful Medical Care

**Tuesday, November 1, 2016  
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

**Beacon School, 801 W. Union Street, Athens, OH**

Topics include how to find medical care and build relationships with providers, the barriers to obtaining a high quality of care and how to overcome them, patient and family care centered principles and how to develop strategies for more successful patient care for individuals with autism.

Participants will receive handouts, a light dinner, and a \$10 Kroger gift card.

To reserve a spot, contact Noriko Kantake at [nkantake@af-cadre.org](mailto:nkantake@af-cadre.org) or 740-249-1380.

**Marie Crawford**, Parent Consultant and Financial Officer of Autism Society Central Ohio and a member of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Marie has been a Parent Advocate, working with both families and professionals to improve services and supports throughout the State of Ohio. She received leadership training in the LEND Program at The Ohio State University Nisonger Center and worked as a Parent Advocate at the Arc of Ohio. She has been involved in the training of medical personnel, medical students and LEND students at The Ohio State University Medical Center and Nationwide Childrens Hospital.

**Kathi Machle** is currently the Managing Director of Autism Society Central Ohio. She has many years training experience as a practicing lawyer in the areas of child advocacy, disability rights, and medical malpractice defense. She has a strong interest in medical issues and has been involved in training medical students, medical personnel and LEND students at the Ohio State University Medical Center and Nationwide Childrens Hospital.

**Polly Irwin, RN** is the nurse and care coordinator for the Center for Autism Services and Transition or CAST at The Ohio State University focusing on transition in health care for youth and adults with autism. Polly has a wealth of autism clinic experience and works with families and professionals.

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