

## SPEAKER SERIES

### *Autism and Joint Attention: Clinical and Neuroscience Implications Across the Life Span*



**TUESDAY**  
**April 11**  
**Noon-1 p.m.**  
**AHC 1**  
**Room 110**

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**Presentation Objectives:**

- 1) Participants will be able to describe the role that atypical joint attention plays in the early development of the cognitive phenotype of Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and explain how joint attention research has contributed to the improved diagnostic assessment of ASD.
- 2) Participants will be able to describe recent advances in a model of the life span models of the neurodevelopment of joint attention and analyze how this model compares to current assumptions about symptom discontinuity in the diagnosis of ASD.
- 3) Participants will be able to enumerate at least three ways that problems in joint attention development impeded learning in children affected by ASD and be able to explain how the new science of joint attention can be applied to improving intervention for preschool and school aged children with ASD.

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