

## About the Workshop

So many therapies, so little time and money! Whether you are a parent of a newly diagnosed child, a seasoned veteran of a teen or adult who has left no stone unturned, or a professional treating those with ASD, you are sure to gain new ideas and resolve. As a counselor with over 40 years of experience, Patricia Lemer, M. Ed., NCC, M.S. Bus., will give you a roadmap based on her book, **EnVISIONing a Bright Future: Interventions that Work for Children and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders**. You will leave with creative ways to collaborate, advocate, and improve functioning in individuals of all ages with ASD!

**At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:**

1. Describe how the genetic, environmental, and health factors accumulate and lay the foundation for autism spectrum diagnoses.
2. List the roles of vision dysfunction in motor, language, social-emotional development.
3. Describe how to improve function in patients with diagnosed autism spectrum disorders by diagnosing and treating underlying structural, sensory, motor and visual problems.

### **Special Offer Available Only At This Workshop**

Ms. Lemer will have copies of her book, "EnVISIONing a Bright Future," available for sale at this workshop only for the special rate of **\$27.00!**

**Location:** **Salvatore's Italian Gardens** is located on Transit Rd. near Genesee, and is easily accessible from both the I-90 and the Kensington Expressway (Rt. 33). Parking is available on the side and rear of the restaurant.

**In case of inclement weather or other unforeseen emergency, please call our event closing hotline at 631-5777, ext. 688.**

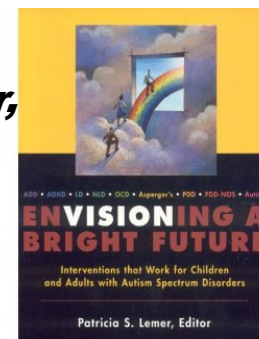
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The Autism Society WNY Chapter  
and  
Autistic Services, Inc.'s  
Autism Center for Learning  
Invite you to attend :

## **EnVISIONing a Bright Future for Individuals of All Ages with ASD**

**Patricia S. Lemer,**  
**Executive Director,**  
**Developmental**  
**Delay Resources (DDR)**



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## **Salvatore's Italian Gardens**

**6461 Transit Road, Depew, NY 14043**

**Saturday, April 9, 2011**

**8:45 am-12:45 pm**

**\$10 Parent or Individuals with ASD**

**\$20 Professionals and Students**

**\$30 SLP/OT/COTA/PT/PTA**

## About the Speaker

### Patricia S. Lemer, Executive Director Developmental Delay Resources



Patricia Lemer, M. Ed., NCC, M.S. Bus, is a co-founder and the Executive Director of Developmental Delay Resources (DDR), an international, non-profit organization integrating conventional and holistic approaches for children with

developmental delays. She holds a Masters of Education in counseling and learning disabilities from Boston College, and a Masters in Business from John Hopkins University. Ms. Lemer is a National Certified Counselor, and draws on over 40 years experience as a mental health professional, and 20 years as a liaison between the worlds of optometry and special education.

Ms. Lemer lectures internationally on viewing developmental delays and disorders, including autism, PDD, AD(H)D, LD, OCD, NVLD, and others, as a spectrum of disorders. She is especially interested in helping parents choose and prioritize appropriate interventions for their children. Her great interest in vision and the role of visual dysfunction in autism led to her becoming the editor of **EnVISIONING a Bright Future: Interventions that Work for Children and Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders**. Ms. Lemer is also a mother and grandmother, and currently resides in Pittsburgh, PA.

**Who Should Attend?** Parents, other family members, individuals with ASD, SLPs, OTs, COTAs, PTs, PTAs, teachers, students, and other professionals and paraprofessionals interested in this topic. This workshop applies to all individuals on the spectrum regardless of impairment level.

**Scholarships available for parents or individuals with ASD based on financial need. Please call (716) 633-2275 for more information.**

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

8:00-8:45: Registration, Continental Breakfast


8:45-9:00: Introduction

9:00– 10:30: Viewing autism as a spectrum disorder, including ADHD and OCD; Treating individuals as unique beings, not a diagnosis; Introduction to Total Load Theory; Diet; Nutrition.

10:30-10:45: Morning Break

10:45-12:30: The importance of movement for growth and development; Sensory issues in ASD; The essential roles of the occupational therapist and speech-language pathologist as a therapeutic team; Vision's role in language development, attention, social emotional skills, organization, and academics.

12:30-12:45: Q and A

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## WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

### New Venue– Salvatore's Italian Gardens

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Please Select Only One Category:

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Family/Individual w/ASD **\$10**

\_\_\_\_\_ Speech-Language Pathologist **\$30**  
ASHA CEU credit included

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No CEU Awarded

**All attendees will receive a Certificate of Attendance**

**Registration Deadline: April 1, 2011.** No refunds after this date; full refunds will be given prior. You must be **PRE-REGISTERED** to be guaranteed handouts/packet.

**Late and Walk-In Registration if available:**  
**Additional \$10 added to above fees.** Please call 633-2275 or check [www.autismwny.org](http://www.autismwny.org) for late registration availability.

**Online registration and payment available until April 1, 2011 at [www.learningpartners2.com](http://www.learningpartners2.com).**

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