THE AUTISM CURRICULUM ENCYCLOPEDIA® THE NEW ENGLAND CENTER FOR CHILDREN, INC.®

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Program Type

The Autism Curriculum Encyclopedia (ACE[®]) is the premier online educational system for learners with autism.

Populations Served

The ACE is designed for use by board certified behavior analysts, special education teachers and others providing educationally-based applied behavior analysis services to learners ages 3-22 with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Pervasive Development Disorder (PDD), Mental Retardation, and related disabilities.

<u>Funding</u>

Contracts are negotiated based on each specific request.

Affiliations/Membership

Member of **maaps**. Formal affiliation with E.K. Shriver Center, Simmons College, Western New England University, Hamilton College, Mass. College of Liberal Arts, Mass Administrators for SPED.

Programs and Services

The Autism Curriculum Encyclopedia is the culmination of 35+ years of research and service of learners diagnosed with autism. The ACE is the behaviorally-based educational system used at The New England Center for Children (NECC[®]). NECC is nationally recognized for our contributions to the field of behavior analysis and for staff training. NECC is a recipient of awards from the U.S. Department of Education and the Association for Behavior Analysis.

<u>Assess</u>

The ACE is a complete all-in-one educational system. The ACE contains several assessment tools, including the Core Skills Assessment, a direct assessment of more than 50 key foundational and independent living skills that all learners with autism should master. This quick and easy-to-use assessment can be completed in 2 to 4 hours and links directly with the curriculum bank in the ACE. Spend less time assessing and more time teaching using the ACE.

Identifying potential reinforcers is a key component for ensuring maximum learner progress. The ACE contains instructions and data sheets for completing 12 different empirically supported preference assessment procedures. Additionally, the-easy-to-use preference assessment

selection guide will suggest the most appropriate assessment for your learners based on your answers to a few similar questions.

Teach

Developing highly specialized and systematic curriculum appropriate for learners with autism can be incredibly time consuming. The ACE contains more than 1300 fully customizable lesson plans across a range of domain areas (academic, communication, community, discrimination, health and safety, recreation and physical education, self-help, social skills and vocational). The curriculum is easily searchable and completely standardized to minimize training needs and maximize consistency in teaching procedures for the learners. Maximize learner progress through excellence in instruction, consistency in teaching and minimizing down time.

Evaluate

Data-based decision making is a hallmark of applied behavior analysis and effective teaching. The ACE makes data summary and graphing easy with several built-in tools including a direct data entry app for Apple[®] iOS devices. Data is then automatically graphed by the ACE to allow for more effective data-based decision making.

In addition to skill acquisition data, the ACE also contains a robust challenging behavior module. With the tools contained in this module, teachers and BCBAs can simply develop daily behavior tracking data sheets, quickly enter that data into the ACE and easily generate graphic displays of the data. Graphing with the ACE is extremely flexible. The ACE has the ability to generate single or multi-axis graphs with one or more behaviors and save those graphs for easy reference at a later date.

For more information about making the ACE your all-inone educational solution for your learners, please check out our website at www.acenecc.org.