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## Marilyn Patterson



## AUTISM/ASPERGER SYNDROME AND SUCCESS IN THE WORKPLACE



**Marilyn Patterson** has had many years' experience in education – as a special educator, primary and high school teacher and as Head of Special Education. Her expertise has been in the areas of autism and behaviour management and she has delivered a wide range of effective, timely and significant training programs in these areas.

Her work in delivering quality training in the areas of autism/Asperger Syndrome in the home and school environments and in workforce participation has been very well received in the past 3 years.

Autism Focus:

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New website pending

Autism Focus is presenting

### **“Asperger Syndrome/Autism and Success in the Workplace”**

training package again in 2009.

This program is an essential guide to creating optimal environments for employment success for workforce candidates with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

#### **Session One: Asperger Syndrome/Autism and the workplace**

- Common features- implications for workplace participation
- Identifying the dominant Intelligence/extreme giftedness
- Job placement options related to the dominant Intelligence
- Typical ASD behaviours
- Qualities the person with ASD can bring to the job

#### **Session Two: Workplace preparation and adaptations**

- 5 Step Case Conferencing Plan between the client and the employment support worker
- Strategies to enhance self organization at work
- Modifications to suit individual needs
- Managing emotions and stress
- Social interactions

#### **Session Three: Stress and Anger Management in the Workplace**

- Understanding the Behaviour Continuum
- Effective interventions at each point of increasing anger and frustration
- Anger management strategies in depth
- Reducing stress proactively
- Taking responsibility for self management at work
- Accepting the challenge

**Suitable for: people with ASD, educators and Work Experience Co-ordinators, families, employment support workers, counsellors, psychologists, doctors, care agencies**

**Date:** Friday March 27<sup>th</sup> 2009 - 8:30 registration – 3:00pm

**Venue:** Virginia Palms International, cnr Sandgate and Zillmere Rds, Boondal, Nth Brisbane, 07 3265 7066  
Accommodation available at the venue, - conference rates \$130

**Cost:** Early bird discount \$150 prior to 20/03/09. \$170 after 27/03/09. GST, m/tea, lunch, full handouts included

Persons with ASD \$130

**Payment:** Cheques to Autism Focus, Po Box 41 Bribie Island 4507

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