

## THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF FORENSIC STUDIES (AIAFS) presents

### Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and the Criminal Justice System: Perspectives from a Professional and a Caregiver

Presenters: Jerrod Brown, Ph.D, MA, MS, MS, MS and Nicole Kimberley-Staeheli, MATS Date: Friday, February 11, 2022 Time: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm (CST) 3.0 CEUs

**Presenter Biographies** 

#### **Training Description**

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental disorder characterized by social, communication, and behavioral challenges. Intended for professionals, this training will examine the implications autism has for the criminal justice system from arrest to community supervision through the lens of a professional and caregiver. Relevant topics discussed will include factors that drive both instances of offending and victimization for individuals diagnosed with autism including anger, violence, and aggression, stalking behaviors, adverse life experiences, theory of mind, executive dysfunction, social cognition, information processing deficits, behavioral rigidity, weak central coherence, empathy, and abstract reasoning deficits. Empirically based research findings and case study examples will be highlighted throughout this training with practical tips and suggestions for professionals on how to best intervene when individuals diagnosed with autism come into contact with the criminal justice system.

#### **Training Objectives**

- 1. Identify the signs and symptoms of autism spectrum disorder
- Explore the factors associated with victimization and offending behaviors among persons diagnosed with autism
- Review effective strategies for screening and intervention for persons diagnosed with ASD who become involved in the criminal justice system
- 4. Examine the impact these topics have on the entire family system
- 5. Review empirically-based research findings and relevant case studies

Jerrod Brown, Ph.D., M.A., M.S., M.S., M.S., is a professor, trainer, researcher, and consultant with multiple years of experience teaching collegiate courses. Jerrod has also been employed with Pathways Counseling Center, Inc. in St. Paul, Minnesota for the past eighteen years. Pathways provides programs and services benefitting individuals impacted by mental illness and addictions. Jerrod is also the founder and CEO of the American Institute for the Advancement of Forensic Studies (AIAFS). Jerrod has also provided consultation services to a number of caregivers, professionals, and organizations pertaining to topics related to autism spectrum disorder (ASD), Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD), confabulation, suggestibility, trauma and other life adversities, traumatic brain injury (TBI), and youth firesetting. Jerrod has completed four separate master's degree programs and holds graduate certificates in Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), Other Health Disabilities (OHD), and Traumatic-Brain Injuries (TBI). Jerrod has published several articles and book chapters and is regularly featured on several national and international podcast programs.

Nicole Kimberley-Staeheli, MATS, is the lead consultant for Nicole Ranae Consulting, LLC and has over 25 years of experience in field of Corrections. The primary focus for much of her career has been in the training, facilitation and implementation of evidence-based practices. Ms. Kimberley-Staeheli is a certified Motivational Interviewing trainer and has personally facilitated and trained hundreds of cognitive behavioral, trauma responsive, and gender responsive interventions including, Thinking for a Change, Aggression Replacement Training, the Domestic Violence Education Program, Decision Points, Moving On, Beyond Trauma, Healing Trauma, VOICES and Beyond Violence, and has been privileged to witness first-hand their life changing effects. Ms. Kimberley-Staeheli serves as an independent consultant for county and community-based agencies serving criminal justice involved individuals and the communities they live in with a focus on cognitive behavioral and trauma responsive interventions. She has also worked as an independent contractor with both the Decision Points Authors, LLC and Dr. Stephanie Covington, LLC and has trained facilitators in Connecticut, Idaho, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. Ms. Kimberley-Staeheli received her undergraduate degree from Hamline University and her graduate degree from Bethel University in St. Paul, MN. Ms. Kimberley-Staeheli currently chairs the Minnesota Cognitive Behavioral Network, a professional association dedicated to supporting the implementation of evidence-based practices. She has presented at numerous state wide conferences on the importance of cognitive behavioral and trauma-responsive interventions in facilitating long-term change for criminal justice involved individuals and their communities.

# LOCATION:This event is a 3-hour virtual, live stream training event with participants joining via Zoom.COST:\$69.00 (Individual Rate)REGISTRATION:Online at <a href="https://www.aiafs.com">https://www.aiafs.com</a> or use the attached registration formFor additional info, contact Darian @ 612-250-5432 - or - Email: aiafsassoc@gmail.com

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Training Schedule:9:00 am: Introductions9:00 am - 12:00 pm (Noon): Training Presentation – Handouts Provided12:00 pm: Adjourn

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