



## Arizona Autism United

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### Schedule for 2012 Professional Development Classes

#### Purpose

Professional Development (PD) classes are a way for AZA employees to expand their skills, access new resources, and network with colleagues. Employees will receive PD credit hours for each class toward ongoing habilitation raises. AZA parents are also welcome to attend.

#### Monthly Opportunities

AZA United is dedicated to providing employees at least one PD class opportunity per month. During some months, a seminar or conference is already planned for the larger autism community. We encourage you to attend these events as well. When no such event is planned, we will offer a PD seminar limited to employees. All classes (except for the annual conference) are free for AZA employees & parents.

Date	Time	Instructor	Topic
January 26 <i>Thursday</i>	12:00 – 2:00 pm	Irene Van Elderen	Motivating kids to try new foods
February 17 & 18 <i>Friday &amp; Saturday</i>	All day	(experts from around the state)	<i>Spring Conference for Parents &amp; Professionals</i>
March 13 <i>Tuesday</i>	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Tracy Davis	Using board games to accomplish habilitation goals
April 11 <i>Wednesday</i>	9:30 – 11:30 am	Irene Van Elderen	Teaching narrative play with dolls or action figures
May 19 <i>Saturday</i>	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Ehren Werntz	<i>Community ABA class: “Fundamental Concepts”</i>
June 20 <i>Wednesday</i>	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Irene Van Elderen	How to create social stories
July 10 <i>Tuesday</i>	2:00 – 4:00 pm	Tracy Davis	Teaching teenagers community skills
August 18 <i>Saturday</i>	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Ehren Werntz	<i>Community ABA class: “Planning a Behavioral Intervention”</i>
September 4 <i>Tuesday</i>	1:00 – 3:00 pm	Irene Van Elderen	Using scavenger hunts to improve cognitive skills
October 10 <i>Wednesday</i>	3:00 – 5:00 pm	Irene Van Elderen	Incorporating “holiday fun” into habilitation programs
November 10 <i>Saturday</i>	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Aaron Blocher-Rubin	<i>Community ABA class: “Discrete Trial Teaching”</i>
December 21 <i>Friday</i>	11:00 am – 1:00 pm	Irene Van Elderen	Implementing habilitation goals in the community

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