



## Strategies for an itchy, smelly, loud, bright world: Sensory Integration Challenges

*Presented by Oregon Technical Assistance Corporation*

This workshop introduces sensory integration challenges from the perspective of how your child might be experiencing them. Participants will gain an understanding of the characteristics of sensory challenges and how to support your child both at home and working with professionals. The following topics will be introduced:

- What IS a sensory processing challenge?
- Sensory challenges in autism spectrum disorders and fetal alcohol syndrome
- How to recognize and detect when your child may be experiencing a sensory integration challenges/behaviors
- Practical solutions and accommodations you can do right now and long term strategies for the future
- How to work with professionals
- How to explain to friends, family, and caregivers what kind of support your child needs
- Resources and References to learn more will be provided

**Instructor:** Stephanie Hunter has worked with people with developmental disabilities for 10 years in residential, vocational; foster/proctor care, and family home settings. She is experienced in providing positive behavior supports and developing visual supports and structure. Stephanie has worked with agencies and families throughout the state to increase quality of life and inclusion for people with disabilities. She is a 2008 graduate of Partners in Policymaking, a subcommittee member of the governor's autism commission focusing on services for children, an active advocate for special education in Portland Public Schools, and a parent of a child with autism.

**When:** Wednesday, September 15, 2010  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (*registration at 9:00 a.m.*)  
**Where:** Oregon Post Adoption Resource Center  
2950 SE Stark Street, Suite 130, Portland, OR 97214

### **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

**Register at 1-800-764-8367, 503-241-0799, or e-mail [orparc@nwresource.org](mailto:orparc@nwresource.org)**

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