

CONFERENCE PRESENTERS

Dr. Paul Yellin is the director of The Yellin Center for Student Success and an associate professor of pediatrics at New York University School of Medicine. Prior to the establishment of The Yellin Center, he served as national director of the Student Success Program at the All Kinds of Minds Institute[®], where he worked closely with Institute founder Dr. Mel Levine and colleagues to create a multidisciplinary model of learning assessments and individualized learning plans for thousands of students. Prior to his tenure at All Kinds of Minds[®], he served as senior vice president, chief medical officer, and director of neonatology at NYU Downtown Hospital; director of Neonatal Clinical Services at NYU Medical Center; and president of the New York City Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Audrey Spellman has over 30 years experience working in the field of early intervention. A graduate of Boston College with a master's in special education, Spellman is currently a member of a multi-disciplinary team of therapists who use the Developmental, Individual Difference, Relationship-based (DIR[®]) Model and Floortime techniques in their work with Family First Intervention Project, located in Fairfield County. A certified special educator and consultant with advanced training in the DIR/Floortime approach, Spellman conducts developmental assessments, provides play therapy, and trains parents and professionals in the use of this approach.

Casey Family Services
127 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

The Connecticut Council on Adoption
presents:

HELPING CHILDREN BUILD RESILIENCE AND MASTER DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES



STRATEGIES FOR PARENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

Instructors:
Paul B. Yellin, M.D., F.A.A.P.
Audrey Spellman, M.Ed.

April 24, 2009
Fantasia
404 Washington Avenue
North Haven, CT 06473

PROGRAM

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8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m.	Registration
9:15 a.m.	Welcome
9:30 a.m.	Workshop
12:30 p.m.	Buffet Lunch
1:30 p.m.	Workshop

This workshop features two different, although complementary, approaches to working with and parenting children who have developmental lags, social and attachment deficits, and other traumatic experiences that affect development.

Paul Yellin, M.D., F.A.A.P. will present current research on the impact of trauma on the brain, and new evidence around resilience and the ability to recover from traumatic events. He will discuss parenting behaviors that help to build resilience and promote positive development by focusing on a child's strengths. Using a case example, Yellin will illustrate how his approach can be used at home, in school, and the community to build greater competence and developmental skills.

Audrey Spellman, M.Ed. will present Dr. Stanley Greenspan's DIR® /Floortime™ approach which focuses on relationships by strengthening the child's core capacities for functional and emotional development. Spellman trains parents and professionals to use playful techniques that help the child build interpersonal, emotional, and intellectual skills. Spellman will illustrate these techniques using videos and case examples.

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DIRECTIONS TO FANTASIA

404 Washington Avenue
North Haven, CT 06473
203.239.6652

From I-91 (from North and South)

From I-91 to Exit 12; right onto Route 5 North; one mile on right at second traffic light.

From Route 15 (from New Haven and South)

Route 15 North (Wilbur Cross Parkway) to Exit 63; right onto Route 22 (Clintonville Road); left onto Route 5 North (Washington Avenue); 1.5 miles on right past fire station.

From Route 15 (from Meriden and Hartford)

Route 15 South (Wilbur Cross Parkway) to Exit 63; left off ramp; left onto Route 22 North (Clintonville Road); left onto Route 5 North (Washington Avenue); 1.5 miles on right past fire station.

SITE ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

CEUs

This program is pending approval by the National Association of Social Workers for four and a half (4.5) continuing education contact hours. There is no fee for this certificate.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print clearly and submit before
April 14, 2009.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

Thanks to the CT Adoption Community Network, adoptive and foster parents may attend at a reduced fee of \$5 per parent. Forms for reimbursement of mileage and/or child care will be available at the workshop. Parents will receive certificates noting 4.5 training units.

CONFERENCE FEES

(Buffet lunch included)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CCA Members | \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-CCA Members | \$30 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adoptive/Foster Parents | \$5 |

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Connecticut Council on Adoption, and
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Casey Family Services
Attn: Christine Cantor
127 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

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