Advocating for Young Adults with Autism

Parent Advocacy Training Program

Leaving high school is a time of great change for youth with ASD and their parents. The purpose of this study is to create a program that teaches parents to advocate for their son or daughter with an ASD as he or she transitions to adulthood.

We invite parents with a son or daughter with ASD who is leaving high school in the next 2 years to take part.

Participation involves:

- Psychological testing of son or daughter with ASD
- Weekly parent advocacy training sessions 1 night a week for 12 weeks at Vanderbilt or the UT-Boling Center in Memphis
- Optional participation of son/daughter with ASD in 2 sessions
- Questionnaires and follow-up interviews for parents
- Total payment of $150-$200 for completing all parts of the study

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