



# PACT (Pre-school Autism Communication Therapy) Training course Geneva, June 5-6, 2018

**PACT (Pre-school Autism Communication Therapy)** is the first and **world leading** autism intervention tested to show sustained reduction in autism symptoms (Pickles et al. 2016) and improving communication initiation skills in the long-term.

## How does it work?

- Through **structured video-feedback and coaching techniques**, therapists help caregivers to recognise and respond to their autistic child's altered communication.
- PACT therapists empower parents with key skills proven to lead to better child social communication outcomes.
- Caregivers receive 1 ½ - 2-hour sessions alternate weeks for 6 months) with take home written goals for daily practice.

## • The Training ?

- The training takes place over **2 full days** and will be held in **English**.
- It involves a presentation on the theoretical background and stages of the PACT manual.
- Training includes DVD observation and rating adult and child communication at different stages of the programme.
- Trainees practice measuring the communication goals and criteria for each stage, setting communication targets and methods of using video feedback.

## ▪ Who is it for?

Professionals (Psychologists, Psychiatrists, Speech and Language Therapists, specialist teachers) who are trained and experienced in the social communication needs of children with autism of 2-10 years of age.

## ▪ What will I get from the training?

- On completion of the course, delegates will be equipped to administer PACT with practice cases.

## ▪ Post Course Fidelity

**Rating** is required to gain full accreditation in PACT for clinical or research practice.

At the extra cost of CHF 930, The course provides clinical supervision for 2 practice cases submitted by trainees.



## Trainers:

**Dr. Catherine Aldred**, is Consultant Honorary Lecturer at the University of Manchester and independent Speech and Language Therapist. She is an international specialist in the field of autism and associated social communication impairments. She has led pioneering therapy trials and 32 years clinical experience. She is a principle investigator in a series of UK and international autism intervention trials (PACT, Pre-school Autism Communication Trial, PACT 7-11 follow-up, etc.), aiming to provide evidence based practice around communication treatment delivered in the home and school context.

**Dr Chiara Fiorentini** is a Clinical Psychologist at the Consultation Centre for Autism Spectrum Disorders (CCSA) of the Fondation Pôle Autisme and a certified international trainer in autism diagnostic assessments such as the ADOS-2 and ADI-R. Previously, she has worked as a Post-Doctoral Researcher at the Faculty of Psychology of the University of Geneva.

## Dates

**June 5th and 6th, 2018**

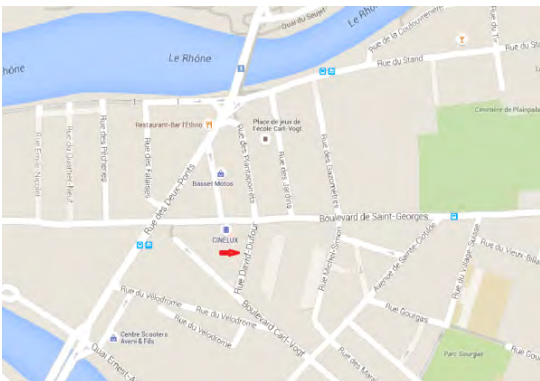
## Venue

Office médico-pédagogique  
Rue David Dufour 1, 1205 Genève

## Cost

CHF 1'000.-

(Early bird rate before February 15: CHF 950)  
Optional Certification: CHF 930- - (or 1'930 total).



For further information and to register for the training, please email us at:

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**Register before March 30th, 2017.**