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# **Nurturing Neurodiversity**

# **On Demand Course**

# **Presenter: Ginger Healy, MSW, LCSW**

#### **COURSE OVERVIEW**

This 1 hour course aims to increase awareness and acceptance of the strengths of neurodiverse students and children and how we as caregivers, teachers, and child-serving professionals can nurture neurodiversity. The course will highlight the importance of understanding and embracing diverse ways of expressing love and affection while increasing connection and understanding.

#### **LEARNER OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Identify and explain best practices for trauma informed care surrounding neurodivergent children/students.
- 2. Identify and define the 5 love languages of neurodiversity.
- 3. Identify, describe and be able to implement at least 3 connection strategies for neurodiverse students.

#### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Special Education teachers, Speech-Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Counselors, General Education teachers, Administrators, Psychologists, Social Workers, PTs, Principals, Nurses, Parents, Caregivers and anyone who works with neurodivergent learners. This course is open to anyone interested in attending.

#### TIMED AGENDA

- 1. Neurodivergence and learning differences. (5 min)
- 2. One size fits one. (5 min)
- 3. Trauma sensitivity in the classroom for neurodivergent students. (15 min)
- 4. Guideposts for supporting neurodivergent individuals in various settings. (7 min)
- 5. Removing roadblocks. (8 min)
- 6. Environmental and sensory audits (3 min)
- 7. The 5 love languages of neurodivergence (20 min)
- 8. Wrap up/conclusion (3 min)

If you require special assistance, please contact AEP Connections to inform them of your special needs by emailing: info@aepconnections.com or calling: 833.237.2668



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# **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFERED**

- **1. CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE -** This course is offered for 1.0 clock hours. Full attendance and a passing score of 80% on the test is required.
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#### **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY**

Ginger Healy MSW, LCSW started her career as a child abuse investigator, hospital social worker, and school therapist. She spent 15 years as the social service supervisor at an international adoption agency where she learned about developmental trauma and attachment needs in children. She is currently a clinical social worker and the director of programs at the Attachment & Trauma Network. She co-anchors the podcast "Regulated and Relational" with Julie Beem, executive director of ATN. Ginger speaks and teaches across the nation on trauma-informed schools, therapeutic parenting, and community engagement. Ginger is the author of Regulation and Co-Regulation: Accessible Neuroscience that Brings Calm into the Classroom, and she is also the author of the accompanying workbook that aims to reach beyond the classroom for caregivers and child-serving professionals. Ginger is married and has four children who have been her greatest teachers about developmental trauma and neurodivergence.

#### Disclosures:

Ginger Healy MSW, LCSW receives an annual salary for her job at the Attachment &Trauma Network. She also receives payment from National Center for Youth Issues for book royalties for books she has written and speaking engagements they have booked for her. Ginger Healy will receive a speaker's honorarium from AEP Connections for this presentation. There are no relevant non-financial relationships to disclose.