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PEERS



PROGRAM FOR THE EDUCATION & ENHANCEMENT OF RELATIONSHIP SKILLS



Florida Atlantic University Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (CARD) and Communication Disorders Clinic (CDC) offer a teen social skills group that involves parents as social coaches.

What is PEERS?

A social skills treatment group where teens learn how to make and keep friends.

Who can attend?

Teens in middle or high school (between 12 and 19 years old) who are diagnosed with high functioning autism, Asperger Syndrome or PDD-NOS and have an interest in the program.

Why are parents involved?

The PEERS program is unique in its inclusion of a parent group, which is a requirement of the program, so that parents can provide support and coaching to their teen.

How much will it cost?

The program charges \$30 per 90 minute session, a total of \$420 for the 14-week program.

How long is the program?

The treatment is 14 weeks in duration, and meets weekly in 90 minute sessions.

Where will the groups occur?

Boca Raton Campus:
Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6 pm

Jupiter Campus:
Thursdays, 5 - 6:30 pm

For more info or to apply, contact the specific campus.

PEERS is an evidence-based treatment program developed by UCLA to teach teens with high functioning ASD how to make and keep friends. Some of the topics that will be addressed over the course of treatment include: conversational skills, finding common interests, reciprocal conversation, nonverbal communication, electronic communication, safety, choosing friends, extracurricular activities, appropriate use of humor, potential friends and rejection, get-togethers, good sportsmanship, peer rejection, teasing & bullying, changing a bad reputation, and peer conflict.

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