



ADD-vance

The ADD-vance ADHD and Autism Trust

Passionate about Understanding, Embracing and Celebrating Neurodiversity

FREE ONLINE Introductory 6-Week Courses for Parents/Carers

Understanding ADHD and Autism

This interactive course is designed for parent/carers of children aged 5 to 14 yrs with a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of ADHD and/or Autism (or 4 and already in reception). The Early Years course is for parents/carers of children aged 2 – 5 yrs.

Every course is bespoke to the needs of each group. Learning outcomes include:

- Understanding ADHD, Autism and related conditions
- Building your child's self-esteem
- Understanding anxiety and anger triggers
- Reducing meltdowns and other behaviours which challenge
- Developing positive behaviour strategies
- Working collaboratively with school
- Knowing your rights and how to advocate for your child
- Reducing your own stress levels
- Managing the needs of siblings
- Improving communication as a family
- Connecting with other families and sharing experiences
- Signposting to useful resources and local support networks.

Courses will be delivered online via Zoom with a maximum of 14 participants. They will run as a series of 2-hour sessions over six weeks. The sessions are designed to be interactive and participants will be expected to attend every session with video/audio. Earphones are recommended if you have children in the same room with you. **The sessions will not be recorded so attendance at all 6 sessions is essential.**

The sessions can be accessed free via a PC, laptop, tablet or smartphone. Joining instructions will be provided beforehand and the first session will provide an opportunity to practice using the technology.

Wednesdays	5 th January to 9 th February	7 – 9 pm	
Thursdays	6 th January to 10 th February	9.30 – 11.30 am	Early Years Course
Fridays	7 th January to 11 th February	10 am – 12 pm	
Mondays *	21 st February to 28 th March	10 am – 12 pm	Stevenage (tbc)
Mondays *	21 st February to 28 th March	7 – 9 pm	
Wednesdays *	23 rd February to 30 th March	7 – 9 pm	Dads/male carers only
Thursdays *	24 th February to 31 st March	10 am – 12 pm	Parents/carers of girls only

*Bookings open on 31st January 2022 at 10 am.

For more information and to book your FREE place please see <http://add-vance.eventbrite.com/>.

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FREE ONLINE 6-Week Courses for Parents/Carers of Teens

Understanding Teens with ADHD and Autism

This interactive course is designed for parents/carers of children aged 12 to 15 yrs with a diagnosis or suspected diagnosis of ADHD and/or Autism. A basic knowledge of ADHD and/or Autism is assumed. Every course is bespoke to the needs of each group. Learning outcomes include:

- Understanding the challenges faced by teens living with ADHD and/or Autism
- Helping your teen to understand themselves better and develop their identity
- Exploring your parenting style and how this may impact your teen
- Considering the importance of communication and empathy
- Using positive behaviour strategies which work for teens
- Supporting your teen to develop healthy relationships with others
- Understanding why your teen is more likely to feel anxious or angry
- Developing strategies to help them manage and regulate emotions
- Spotting the signs of secondary mental health disorders
- Understanding how to manage growing levels of independence safely
- Building a positive, collaborative relationship with school
- Planning for the future
- Signposting to useful resources and local support networks.

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Three courses will be running on the following dates:

Tuesdays	4 th January to 8 th February	7 – 9 pm
Wednesdays	5 th January to 9 th February	10 am – 12 pm
Tuesdays *	22 nd February to 29 th March	10 am – 12 pm

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