

# CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.                      **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

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## **Part I: Identification**

9:30 – 10:00 a.m.                      **Welcome and Community Sponsors Greetings**

10:00 – 10:45 a.m.                      **Screening and Introduction to PGCSNIPS**  
(Prince George's County Special Needs Identification  
Physician Support Program)  
**Presenter:** Abila Tazanu-Legall, M.D.

10:55 – 11:40 a.m.                      **Developmental Milestones and Stumbling  
Blocks:** Learn the signs, act early!  
**Presenters:** Raymond Sturner, M.D. and  
Barbara Howard, M.D.

11:50 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.                      **Introduction to CHADIS**  
**Presenters:** Raymond Sturner, M.D. and  
Barbara Howard, M.D.

12:30 – 1:15 p.m.                      **Lunch and Resource Fair**

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## **Part II: Support**

1:15 – 2:00 p.m.                      **"We Are All in This Together"**—Building Medical  
Homes—a family forum and discussion  
**Presenter:** Yulanda Swindell, M.D.

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.                      **What's New with Infants and Toddlers?**  
Understanding the new focus and components of  
the Infants and Toddlers' Program

2:30 – 3:00 p.m.                      **Closing Remarks and Distribution of Gifts**  
"We Are Here for You!"—Know your community  
partners

## **Abila Tazanu-Legall, M.D.**

Abila Tazanu-Legall, M.D., is the cofounder and executive director of the One World Center for Autism, Inc. She is a general pediatrician and clinical associate at Children's National Medical Center, in Washington, D.C.

Abila received her B.S. in microbiology and her doctorate of medicine from Howard University in Washington, D.C. She completed her pediatric residency at Inova Fairfax Hospital/University of Virginia. She is married to Dale Legall and has five children, two of whom have autism. Her personal struggle to diagnose and treat her own children created the vision for the One World Center for Autism, Inc. and continues to fuel her passion to help individuals living with autism.

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## **Raymond Sturner, M.D.**

Raymond Sturner, M.D., is a developmental-behavioral pediatrician and an associate professor of pediatrics and former director of the Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics Fellowship Training Program at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He was previously director of the Child Development Unit at Duke University. He has been the principal investigator of some 65 "grant years" of research and demonstration projects, including the development of the Child Health and Development Interactive System, or CHADIS. He completed his developmental and behavioral pediatrics training at Yale University.

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## **Yulanda Swindell, M.D.**

Yulanda Swindell, M.D., is a board member and vice president of the One World Center for Autism. Originally from New York, she came to the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area to attend Howard University and has lived here for almost 30 years. She currently resides in University Park, Maryland and singly parents a nine-year-old son with autism and his younger sibling.

Dr. Swindell is a board certified pediatrician. Her pediatric training was completed at Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C. in 1994. She is the primary care provider for youngsters and adolescents in a group home in Baltimore County, many of whom have cognitive, emotional, psychiatric, and developmental diagnoses. Dr. Swindell also practices in a community clinic based at the Suitland Health and Wellness Center, caring for underserved children.

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## **Barbara Howard, M.D.**


Barbara Howard, M.D., is an assistant professor of pediatrics at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and cocreator of CHADIS, a web-based system delivering pre-visit screening and diagnostic questionnaires linked to decision support and resources. Dr. Howard received her M.D. from Johns Hopkins University and completed pediatric residency training at Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston. She had fellowship training at Harvard in Child Development and has been faculty for residency training in developmental-behavioral pediatrics at Johns Hopkins, Sinai Hospital, University of Massachusetts Medical Center, and Duke before returning to Baltimore. She also cofounded the Center for Promotion of Child Development through Primary Care in 1996 with its clinical laboratory for research in applications to primary care.



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**First Annual  
Prince George's County  
Special Needs Conference  
for Pediatric Health Care Providers**

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**April 9, 2011 • 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.**

Holiday Inn College Park  
10000 Baltimore Avenue  
College Park, Maryland  
*(next to IKEA)*

# First Annual Prince George's County Special Needs Conference for Pediatric Health Care Providers

- Moderators:** Abila Tazanu-Legall, M.D. and  
Yulanda Swindell, M.D.
- Guest Speakers:** Raymond Sturner, M.D. and  
Barbara Howard, M.D.
- Special Guests Forum:** Prince George's County families of children  
with special needs
- Who Should Attend:** Pediatricians, family practitioners, nurse  
practitioners, office managers and office  
support personnel
- Benefits of Conference:** FREE ADMISSION, broader knowledge of special  
needs identification and support, CME hours,  
delicious lunch, networking and resource fair,  
and gifts

## TO REGISTER

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Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Guests Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Practice: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Space is limited, so RSVP by April 1, 2011!*

***The Small Steps... Big differences.... Brighter Tomorrows Conference will provide a collaborative approach to supporting pediatric health care providers in the identification and support of children and youth with special health care needs in Prince George's County Maryland. Child health care providers are the stewards of the health of all children. This is an awesome privilege with great responsibility, which at times can be intimidating because it requires an in depth knowledge of child development. This conference will educate community physicians and related providers about:***

- 1.** The American Academy of Pediatrics Guidelines on Standardized Developmental and Autism Screening.
- 2.** The Prince George's County Special Needs Identification Physician Support Program (PGCSNIPS).
- 3.** Child Developmental Milestones and the Red flags of atypical development, including the early presentation and characteristics of children with autism that warrant further investigation and referral.
- 4.** Web-based Comprehensive Screening through CHADIS.
- 5.** The new focus and components of the Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program and the correct and most efficient manner to refer children with suspected special needs to this early intervention program.
- 6.** The challenges that families of children with special needs face within the medical home; and simple ways to make the office environment more amenable for these children and their families.
- 7.** The community organizations and resources that are available to assist providers in building great medical homes in Prince George's County, Maryland.

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