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Center for Autism and Related Disorders Seeks to Help Montana's Autism Population with Free Conference for Parents and Caregivers

The Center for Autism and Related Disorders will host a free, one-day autism conference for parents, caregivers, students and practitioners at the University of Montana on November 19.

MISSOULA, MT November 19, 2011 -- The Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD), one of the world's largest organizations treating individuals with the state-of-the-art therapy, will host the **CARD Montana Autism Conference** on **Saturday, November 19, 2011** at the **University of Montana** inside of the University Center Theater located at 32 Campus Drive, in Missoula. The free conference is designed for parents, caregivers, students and practitioners in an effort to effectively address Montana's population of children with autism spectrum disorders (ASDs).

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1 of 110 children in America is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder, making it more common than pediatric cancer, juvenile diabetes and childhood cancer.

The CARD Montana Autism Conference will define autism spectrum disorders, how applied behavior analysis (ABA) can be used as an effective tool to treat individuals with ASD, and explain how recovery from autism is possible.

Speakers include board certified behavior analyst Sienna Greener-Wooten, MA, BCBA and autism advocate Joe Mohs. Mohs, who has recovered from autism, will share his personal journey after a screening of the award-winning documentary *RECOVERED: Journeys Through the Autism Spectrum and Back*.

Registration is required to attend this free conference. To register, contact Daphne Plump at d.plump@centerforautism.com.

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For more information about CARD, visit www.centerforautism.com.

About the Center for Autism and Related Disorders:

The Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) is among the world's largest and most experienced organizations effectively treating children with autism and related disorders, with state-of-the-art therapy. CARD is committed to scientific research as the most objective and reliable approach to evaluating treatment for autism. CARD's mission is to conduct empirical research on the assessment and treatment of autism and to disseminate our research findings and derived technology through publication and the education of both professionals and the public. For more information about CARD, visit www.centerforautism.com.