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**The Phoenix Centre for Neurodevelopment presents:**

**The course:**  
**“Get a HANDLE on the Autism Spectrum”**

A 12-hour course that will forever change your strategies in approaching learning, social and behavioural challenges often associated with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

**Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**9:00 am to 4:30 pm**

**Four Points Suites by Sheraton – Niagara Falls/St. Catharines, Ontario**

3530 Schmon Parkway, Thorold, Canada

**HANDLE® (Holistic Approach to NeuroDevelopment and Learning Efficiency)**  
is an effective non-drug treatment alternative  
for people of all ages, and for a wide range of issues, including Autism.

**Instructor: Valerie MacLean – Certified HANDLE Practitioner & Instructor**

The course presents the work of Judith Bluestone, the originator of the HANDLE approach. In her book **The Fabric of Autism, Weaving the Threads into a Cogent Theory**, Bluestone combines her personal autistic experience with academic research and more than 40 years of clinical practice to craft a unique and compelling view of the phenomenon called autism.

This course is designed for those who interact with children and adults experiencing cognitive, motor, and behavioural difficulties. The HANDLE paradigm has proven itself a practical tool for achieving functional outcomes by applying a systems approach to assessment and customized treatment programs for individuals, families, and communities around the world.

“The HANDLE treatment approach has changed how I both evaluate and provide treatment to all the individuals and families that I see. HANDLE provides a method to address the underlying issues of the diverse pediatric population that I work with. It combines many different frames of reference into one easy to implement approach that my families have found easy to perform in their homes. HANDLE makes difficult and perplexing problems easier to understand while providing effective holistic methods of treatment. It makes you see people’s actions in a truly new way.” J.H., OTRL

See accompanying registration form

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For more information on the HANDLE approach: [www.handle.org](http://www.handle.org)

**Pre- Registration Discounts Offered on or before May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011**

▪ speech & language therapists ▪ foster parents ▪ teachers

administrators ▪ osteopaths ▪ chiropractors ▪ classroom teachers ▪ counselors

psychologists ▪ mental health workers ▪ volunteers ▪ pediatricians ▪ educators