Child Study Center Compassionate Care Rounds

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Yale School of Medicine’s Department of Child Study Center

**"Autism, the Internet, and the Clinician: Tools for the Rabbit Hole"**

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**Date: February 25, 2020 @ 1:00**

**Location: Cohen Auditorium, NIHB E02**

**Course Director: Andres Martin, MD, MPH**

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This course will fulfill the licensure requirement set forth by the State of Connecticut

**ACCREDITATION**

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**TARGET AUDIENCE**

Trainees in child psychiatry, psychology, and social work, faculty, clinicians, scientists

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

* Discuss methods through which clinicians who are also parents can reflect on work-related trauma to avoid it negatively impacting their relationship with their families
* Identify ways in which clinician parents can set limits and teach safe online behaviors to their own children
* Recognizes aspects of autism that may make people more vulnerable to developing extreme ways of thinking based on what they are seeing online

**NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

This presentation will highlight the experience of clinicians and a veteran law enforcement officer who work with people with ASD and other developmental disabilities who engage in unlawful behavior on the internet. Attendees will receive an overview of types of problems that may arise, and ways to help patients avoid such problems. As parents, the participants will discuss their personal experiences with curating the internet exposure and limiting risk for their children, as well as working to prevent their work-related trauma from negatively impacting their relationships with their families.

**DESIGNATION STATEMENT**

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**FACULTY DISCLOSURES**

Rachel Loftin: NONE

Melanie Penner: NONE

Frank Straub: NONE

Mark Woodbury-Smith: NONE

Alexander Westphal: NONE

Andres Martin: NONE

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