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Recommendation

St. Olavs Hospital, Trondheim University Hospital, is integrated with Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) and is owned by the Central Norway Regional Health Authority. The main tasks of the Hospital are patient treatment, teaching of patients and their relatives, research, and education for health professionals.

Anna Budzińska is a key player in a project which aims to increase the skills of professionals who work with children with autism spectrum disorders in Norway. The project will be implemented in the period 2014-2016. In this connection Budzińska held a 42 hour lecture in Trondheim in November / December 2014 over various topics about the treatment of children with autism spectrum disorders: History of autism and current diagnostic criteria, classical and operant conditioning, applied behavior analysis, behavioral diagnosis, effective treatments, biological research, specific treatment techniques linked to the principle of flawless learning, principles of reinforcement, treatment programs, creating motivation systems, management of undesirable behaviors, taking data from treatment, creating charts for visual inspection. Budzińska used video to exemplify various aspects of treatment.

Target persons for the lectures were professionals from three different special schools, several kindergartens, some mainstream schools, The Autism Association and parents.

We have received very positive feedback from those who attended the course. There was a broad consensus that the course was very motivating and useful. At a later date we will most likely ask Budzińska on a similar mission. We will also mention that Instytut Wspomagania Rozwoju Dziecka (IWRD) has gained a very good reputation in Norway. We are very impressed with the work done by IWRD. It has become a trademark of a well-run program for children with autism spectrum disorders.



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