



Dear Sir/Madam,

INVITATION TO ATTEND A ONE DAY SEMINAR: AUTISM

Autism Spectrum Disorder is characterised in varying degrees by difficulties in social interaction, verbal and non verbal communication and repetitive behaviours. It affects over two million individuals in the US, and tens of millions worldwide. Limited studies have shown an increase in the prevalence of the disorder in Nigeria.

As part of Events to mark the World Autism Awareness Day on 2nd April, 2014, The National Universities Commission (NUC) in collaboration with the Autism Care and Support initiative (ACSI) are organising a one day Seminar titled **"The need for Professional Awareness and Capacity Building in Nigerian Universities – A Focus on Autism"**

On behalf of the Executive Secretary, we write to invite you to attend the seminar scheduled as follows:

Date: Thursday, 3rd April, 2014

Venue: Idris Abdulkadir Auditorium, National Universities Commission, AjaNwachukwu Hosuse Aguiyi-Ironsi Street, Maitama Abuja.

Time: 10.00am

Please accept the assurances of the Executive Secretary's highest regards.

Prof I. Alhassan Bichi FNIM ChMC
Director, Academic Standards
For: Executive Secretary

Dr. Julia Ejiogu MD
CEO, Autism Care Support Initiative
(ACSI)

Programme of Events

9.00 – 10.45am	Arrival of guests and Registration.
10.45- 11am	Welcome Address Prof. Alhassan Bichi Director Academic Standards NUC
11 – 11.15am	Remarks by Chair of Seminar Prof Julius Okojie Executive Secretary, NUC
11.15 – 11.45pm	1 st Presentation- "The Why" Dr. Julia Ejiogu Consultant Family Physician CEO / Founder Autism Care and Support Initiative
11.45 – 12.15pm	Tea break
12.15 – 12.45pm	2 nd presentation- "The What" Dr. Toju Chike-Obi Consultant Developmental Pediatrics Tubisha Medical Centre Maitama, Abuja
12.45 - 1.15pm	3 rd presentation- "The Who" Dr. Enkeleji Ejiogu Consultant Developmental Pediatrics University of Jos, Jos University Teaching Hospital
1.15-1.45pm	Lunch
1.45 – 2.30pm	4 th Presentation- "The How" Dr. Agboluaje PhD CEO Center for Teaching and Learning Abuja FCT
2.30pm – 3.15pm	Question & Answer Session
3.15 – 4pm	Vote of Thanks and Closing Remarks.
4pm	Departure.