

Welcome to VSA Vermont's supplemental summary of the visual elements in our 1-hour 23-minute volunteer training video on learning about autism.

Opening sequence:

A series of colored cubes cascades toward the viewer and then off the screen. A few cubes remain. Four of the cubes have letters that spell out R E T N with a small tagline "watch and learn" beneath them. Next, the title card for the event fills the screen with the VSA VT logo in the upper left corner and the following on-screen text: VSA Vermont Learning About Autism, A Volunteer Training Series, Fletcher Free Library, September 28, 2016. The event's welcome remarks start while the on-screen text is up, then the text fades as the conference room takes center stage and the welcome continues.

Setting:

One section of a library conference room. A 6-person panel is seated at 2 folding tables facing the audience. The panel is in front of an unlit fireplace with a VSA VT placard on the mantel. An easel is set up on the far left end of the tables. Each speaker has a paper name card, microphone, notes or index cards, and a cup or bottle of water in front of them. Part of the audience is also on screen showing a mix of empty chairs and engaged listeners. Focus starts wide to show all of the speakers and then zooms in on the opening speaker.

During the training, the camera moves among three views of the panelists:

1. a close-up of the speaker also showing an attentive fellow panelist
2. a semi-close up of the speaker also showing two or more fellow panelists
3. a full panel view showing all six speakers

The first time a panelist speaks, a blue banner appears on the lower third of the screen with the VSA VT logo, the speaker's name and title, and the RETN logo.

Highlights of the speakers, in order of appearance:

Heidi Swevens, VSA VT Volunteer Coordinator, is an adult wearing a long-sleeve white blouse that shimmers a little in the overhead lighting, with short brown hair, dangling spiral earrings, and a pendant on a silver chain. Heidi facilitates the panel discussion.

Judy Chalmer, VSA VT Executive Director, is an adult wearing a pink sweater over a black shell with a muted pink and green scarf tied around her neck with short gray hair and glasses.

Sheila Fazackerley, Autism Consultant, Private Aide, is an adult wearing a dark brown sweater

over a lighter brown shell with dark brown hair pulled back in a ponytail and bead earrings.

Anne Vernon, Senior Manager, Howard Center, is an adult wearing a blue denim three-quarters sleeve shirt. Close cut dark gray hair, tortoiseshell glasses, small earrings, small pendant on silver chain, beaded bracelets on both wrists, rings on both hands and a watch. Often looks at the audience or her fellow panelists while speaking and gestures with her hands.

Mary Catherine Lyles, Occupational Therapist, is an adult wearing a black and white-striped V-neck shirt, with long curly brown hair draped over her left shoulder and tucked behind her right shoulder, dangling earrings partly hidden by her hair, and pendant on a gold necklace. Often gestures with her hands while speaking.

Nicole Villemaive, VSA VT Mentor and Volunteer is a young adult wearing a short-

sleeve lime green shirt over a white shell and glasses, medium length brown hair pulled back in a ponytail. Often looks at her fellow panelists or at her notes while speaking.

Order of events:

Heidi opens the training and welcomes the audience. She then facilitates the panel discussion and introduces each speaker in the above order. Each speaker presents for about 6 to 10 minutes. After all speakers present there is an open discussion among the panelists, followed by a question and answer period. Heidi then offers closing comments and wraps up the training.

Closing sequence:

As Heidi is finishing her closing comments, the upper third of the screen is overlaid with an opaque white background and the VSA VT logo. Text on-screen in the upper third area reads: Learning About Autism, A Volunteer

Training Series, and the VSA VT email address, info@vsavt.org.

Below the upper third, a semi-transparent white background covers the rest of the screen and the view of the room and speakers. Scrolling text on-screen provides the credits for the training.

On screen credits:

VSA Vermont

Learning about autism
A Volunteer Training Series

September 28, 2016

Fletcher Free Library
Burlington, VT

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Judy Chalmer

Volunteer Coordinator & Program Manager
Heidi Swevens

Panelists

Sheila Fazackerley

Mary-Katherine Lyles

Hilary Maslow

Anne Vernon

Nicole Villemaire

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