

## **Module 1: Understanding The Spectrum**

- What is autism?
- Myths
- Analysing the spectrum
- Learning disabilities
- Social and emotional development

## **Module 2: The Autistic Environment**

- The new model of autism
- Autism spectrum disorders rising
- Toxic body burden
- The government's role

## **Module 3: What Causes Autism?**

- Is autism caused by nature or nurture?
- Identifying early signs of autism
- Identifying autism in adults
- How does autism affect genders differently?

## **Module 4: Autistic Behaviour**

- How autistic behaviour can be challenging
- Child behaviour and how to identify autism
- Theory of Mind
- Addressing child behaviour

## **Module 5: Conducting A Functional Autism Assessment**

- FBA
- Methods
- Descriptive vs. experimental
- Cautions needed before performing an FBA
- Analysing the data

## **Module 6: Autism In The Classroom**

- Inclusion and proper placement
- Accommodations
- Differentiated instruction
- Individualised educational plans
- Monitoring success

## **Module 7: Creating A Positive Support Plan**

- Event strategies
- Antecedent strategies
- Behaviour teaching strategies
- Consequence strategies
- Prevention
- Redirection
- Reinforcement and punishment
- Extinction
- Safety

## **Module 8: Aging And Long-term Care**

- Aging out crisis
- Functioning in society as an adult
- Support systems
- Consultations and legal documents
- Housing options
- Emergency preparedness

## **Module 9: Medication**

- Anxiety and depression
- Behavioural problems
- Seizures
- Inattention and hyperactivity

## **Module 10: Community Living And Supports**

- Family support
- Physical home modifications
- Early intervention programs
- In-home and out-of-home care
- After-school programs
- Behavioural therapy