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World-Renowned Autism Expert Dr. Doreen Granpeesheh Presents Keynote Address at CARD Louisiana Autism Conference, August 24th in Baton Rouge

Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) founder and world-renowned autism expert Dr. Doreen Granpeesheh will present the keynote address at the CARD Louisiana Autism Conference on Saturday, August 24, 2013.

BATON ROUGE, LA – August 24, 2013 World-renowned autism expert/clinical psychologist, and CARD founder/ CEO Doreen Granpeesheh, Ph.D., BCBA-D will give the keynote address at the CARD Louisiana Autism Conference on Saturday, August 24, 2013, at the Oak Lodge Reception and Convention Center in Baton Rouge. The free conference, hosted by Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD), Inc., is designed for parents, practitioners, educators, and caregivers.

“We are very excited to be able to bring such a comprehensive, no-cost conference to Louisiana,” says Dr. Granpeesheh. “We believe everyone should have access to effective autism intervention, and those affected by autism should have the opportunity to lead healthy, happy, and productive lives.”

Dr. Granpeesheh, who has recovered many individuals with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) over the past 30 years, will present “Creating a Comprehensive and Individualized Treatment Program for a Child with Autism Spectrum Disorder.” The presentation will focus on treatment approaches grounded in applied behavior analysis (ABA) that are considered the gold standard of behavioral interventions for children with ASD. Attendees will learn about effective, individualized treatment programs that teach necessary skills and maximize skill acquisition, specifically for children with ASD.

CARD, founded by Dr. Granpeesheh, is one of the world’s largest and most effective autism treatment providers offering evidence-based, state-of-the-art services to individuals of all ages. In August, 2009, CARD researchers published “Retrospective Analysis of Clinical Records in 38 Cases of Recovery from Autism” in the *Annals of Clinical Psychiatry*, showing that recovery from autism is possible with early, intensive intervention using ABA.

The CARD Louisiana Autism Conference will feature presentations on a broad variety of topics, including “Practical Solutions for Addressing Challenging Behaviors” by Dr. Dennis Dixon and “Skills®: A Web-Based Toolkit for the Effective Management of Autism Treatment” by Dr. Catherine Minch, as well as a screening of RECOVERED: Journeys Through the Autism Spectrum and Back, an award-winning documentary produced by CARD about four children who have recovered from autism. The documentary includes excerpts from real therapy sessions, along with interviews of the children who are now teenagers, their parents, therapists, and the founder of CARD. Following the screening, conference attendees are invited to join the experts for a panel discussion regarding children with ASD and treatment services in Louisiana, as well as other topics presented at the conference.

For more information on the CARD Louisiana Autism Conference and to register, visit <http://conference.centerforautism.com>.

About Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD):

CARD treats individuals of all ages who are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) at its 26 treatment centers around the globe. CARD was founded in 1990 by leading autism expert and clinical psychologist Doreen Granpeesheh, PhD, BCBA-D. CARD treats individuals with ASD using the principles of applied behavior analysis (ABA), which is empirically proven to be the most effective method for treating individuals with ASD and recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the US Surgeon General. CARD employs a dedicated team of over 1,000 individuals. For more information about the Center for Autism and Related Disorders, visit: <http://www.centerforautism.com> or call (855) 345-2273.

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