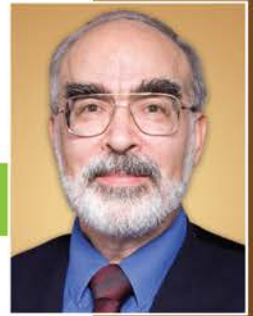


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Citizenship: US

Education:

- 1969: BA, Dartmouth College (Government)
- 1973: MD, New York Medical College

Postgraduate Training and Fellowship Appointments:

- 7/73-6/74 : PL-1 in Pediatrics, Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT
- 7/74-6/75: PL-2 in Pediatrics, Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT
- 7/77-6/79: Fellow, Developmental Pediatrics, John F. Kennedy Institute, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD

Military Service:

- 7/75-6/77: Medical Officer (04); National Health Service Corps

Faculty Appointments:

- 11/75-6/77: Clinical Assistant in Pediatrics, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Rochester, NY
- 7/79-4/84: Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, State University of New York, Health Science Center, Syracuse, NY
- 5/84-6/97: Associate Professor of Pediatrics, State University of New York, Health Science Center, Syracuse, NY
- 6/97-6/98: Lecturer, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA
- 6/99-6/30/2004: Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA
- 9/29/10 – 8/1/2014: Clinical Associate Professor of Child Psychiatry, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA

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Faculty Appointments (ctd):

- 7/1/06 – 9/1/2016: Adjunct Associate Professor of Nursing, Associated Faculty, School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Hospital and Administrative Appointments:

- 7/79-6/97: Medical Staff, Department of Pediatrics, University Hospital, Syracuse, New York 7/79-6/97: Chief, Division of Child Development, Department of Pediatrics, State University of New York-Health Science Center at Syracuse
- 11/79-6/97: Medical Staff (Pediatrics), Crouse-Irving Memorial Hospital, Syracuse, NY
- 1979-85: Developmental consultant, Perinatal Center Newborn Follow-up clinic, Crouse-Irving Memorial Hospital, Syracuse, NY
- 4/80-6/97: Medical Staff, Enable (Syracuse affiliate, United Cerebral Palsy Association)
- 1983-85: Medical Staff, Developmental Evaluation Center, Syracuse, NY
- 11/84-6/95: Co-director, Neurofibromatosis Clinic, State University Hospital, Syracuse, NY
- 1989-1992: Director, NY State Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Fellowship in Child Development, Syracuse, NY
- 7/97-6/30/2004: Medical staff, Children's Seashore House, Philadelphia, PA
- 7/97-6/30/2004: Director, Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND), Children's Seashore House of The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA
- 7/97-6/30/2004: Medical staff, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA

Private Employment

- *Owner*, Neurodevelopmental Pediatrics of the Main Line, PC, 2004-2014

Specialty and Subspecialty Certification:

- American Board of Pediatrics: *Pediatrics; 1978-present*
- American Board of Pediatrics, and American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology: *Neurodevelopmental Disabilities; 2001-2014*
- American Board of Pediatrics: *Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics; 2002-2014*

Medical Licensure:

- New York: 1975 - 1997
- Pennsylvania: 1975 - present (inactive as of 12/31/2014; retired from office practice)

Awards, Honors, and Membership in Honorary Societies

- 1995 Ellen Rudy Clore Excellence in Writing Award
- Teaching Honor Roll, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia: 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
- "Top Docs" award, *Philadelphia Magazine*, 2008, 2009, 2010
- Physician Honoree, *Variety - The Children's Charity*, Philadelphia Chapter, 2008

Professional and Scientific Societies

- Fellow, American Academy of Pediatrics, 1982-present

- Fellow, American Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine, 1980-present
- Fellow, Society for Behavioral Pediatrics, 1980-present
- Fellow, Child Neurology Society, 2006-present
- Member, Society for Developmental Pediatrics, 1979-present
- Member, Autism Society of America, 1994-present

Editorial Positions:

- 1983-2014: Manuscript reviewer, *Pediatrics*
- 1985: Guest editor, *Pediatric Annals*, Speech and Language

Academic Committees (University of Pennsylvania)

- Doctoral Dissertation Committee, Jackie McGrath MSN, School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania (1999)

Academic Committees (The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; 6/1997 – 6/2004)

- Continuing Medical Education Committee
- Electronic Medical Records Security and Access Committee

Major Teaching Responsibilities

7/1979-6/1997

- Director, Division of Child Development, State University of New York, Upstate Medical Center

6/1997 – 6/2004

- Director, Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (*LEND*; <http://www.aucd.org/template/page.cfm?id=6>). LEND trains 12 to 15 full-time Fellows, and approximately 300 short-term trainees per year in eleven disciplines: Pediatrics, Pediatric Dentistry, Psychology, Speech, Audiology, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Social Work, Health Care Administration, Nursing and Nutrition. LEND is supported by a grant from the US Bureau of Maternal and Child Health.
- Director of Residency Training in Child Development, Children's Seashore House / The Children's Hospital of Pennsylvania

7/2004-2014

- Dr. Coplan taught within the School of Medicine and the School of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania, and offered an observational field experience to Fellows in Child Psychiatry and Masters level trainees from the School of Nursing.

Lectures by Invitation (partial listing):

- *Atypicality, Nonverbal IQ, and Age: Seeing Autism Spectrum Disorders in Three Dimensions*. National Association for the Education of Young Children Annual Conference, Orlando, FL November 2-5, 2011.

- *Importance of Cognitive Rigidity and Parent-Child Interaction when Diagnosing and Treating Complex Cases of ADHD with Anxiety, Atypicality, and/or Externalizing Behavior Disorder*, 23rd Annual CHADD International Conference on ADHD, November 12, 2011 (with Vera Joffe, Ph.D.)
- *Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology in Children with Autistic Spectrum Disorders* OCALI (Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence), Annual Conference, November 16-18, 2011
- *Autistic Spectrum Disorder – Putting the Pieces Together*. Daylong workshop, Kidz Therapy Services, PLLC, Long Island, NY. December 3, 2011
- *Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology for Children With Autism Spectrum Disorder*. Council for Exception Children Annual Convention & Expo, Denver, CO from April 11th- 14th, 2012
- *Treatments for Persons with ASD Across the Lifespan: One Size Does Not Fit All!* Gwynedd-Mercy College Fifth Annual Autism Institute Conference, April 14th, 2012
- *Making Sense of Autistic Spectrum Disorders* (full day workshop); Autism Society of Northwest Ohio annual Practical Solutions to Everyday Challenges in Autism workshop series, April 21, 2012
- *Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders*; 6th Annual Autism Conference: Building Bridges: Supportive Practices from Birth to Adulthood. LaSalle University, Philadelphia PA, May 4, 2012
- *Working Back from Behavior: What to do Next* (5/5/12) and *Making Sense of Autistic Spectrum Disorders* (5/6/12); Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association Annual Conference, Orlando, FL
- *Sense and Nonsense in the Treatment of Autistic Spectrum Disorders*. The Autism Society of America-Manhattan Chapter, June 7 2012
- *Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology for children on the autism spectrum*; Autism New Jersey, October 11, 2012
- *Seeing ASD in 3D – A lifespan perspective*; Asperger and High Functioning Autism of New York (AHANY); Islip, October 22, 2012
- *Seeing ASD in 3D – A Lifespan Perspective on Autism Spectrum Disorder*. Webinar for Rethink Autism November 28, 2012
- *The Developmental Course of Autism Spectrum Disorder Impacts Intervention Selection*. Half-day workshop at the 2013 Annual National Association of School Psychologists' annual national convention; Seattle, Washington, 2/14/13
- *Autism: Medical and Educational Management of Challenging Behavior*. Co-presenter, 2 hour workshop, Council for Exceptional Children Convention and Expo, San Antonio TX, April 5, 2013
- *Behavior Management and Psychopharmacology in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder*. National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) 34th Annual Conference on Pediatric Health Care, Orlando FL, 4/18/2013
- Two presentations: *Recognizing Medical Quackery in the Care of Persons with IDD (Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities)*, and *Transition to Adulthood for Persons on the Autism Spectrum*. Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association (DDNA) annual national convention, Philadelphia PA 4/28/2013
- *Family Mental Health – The Springboard to Success for the Child with ASD*. Nationally distributed webinar for Rethink Autism, September 25, 2013

- Workshops: *Autism Spectrum Disorder across the Life Span, Behavior Management & Psychopharmacology in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder*, and *Mental Health and Autism Spectrum Disorder: The Elephant in the Room*. 30th Annual Colin J. Condran, MD Care of the Sick Child Conference, Orlando FL, November 13th-15th, 2013
- *Autism and Mental Illness*. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) national teleconference, 12/20/2013
- All-day workshop: *Making Sense of Autistic Spectrum Disorders*, Los Angeles County Office of Education, Los Angeles CA, 2/17/2014
- Two workshops: *Mental Health Issues in ASD*, and *Impact of the DSM-V on Classifying and Serving Children with ASD*, National Association of School Psychologists) Annual Convention, Washington, DC, 2/20/2014
- *Problem Behavior in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder*; nationally distributed webinar for Rethink Autism, 3/19/2014
- *Preventing the Next Adam Lanza and Elliot Rodger*. Dr. Coplan interviewed by Marianne Russo of “The Coffee Klatch” on the Special Needs Talk Radio Network, June 8, 2014
- *Mental Illness in ASD: The Elephant in the Room*. Milestones Annual Autism Spectrum Disorder Conference, June 18th-19th, 2014, Cleveland, OH
- *Mental Health Disorders in ASD – the Elephant in the Room*. 45th annual Autism Society of America conference, July 25, 2014, Indianapolis, IN
- *Beyond the DSM5: Achieving the Best Outcome for Children with ASD*. Full-day workshop, Ohio School Psychologists Association) Fall Conference at the Columbus /Polaris Hilton Hotel in November 7, 2014, Columbus, OH.
- *Beyond Access, Attention, and Escape. Behavior management and the emotional needs of children on the autism spectrum*. Autism Society of America, Baltimore-Chesapeake Chapter, April 18, 2015
- *Family Health: The springboard to success for children with ASD*. Autism Society of America, Baltimore-Chesapeake Chapter, April 18, 2015
- *Autism: What have we learned in the past 125 years?* Six hour platform presentation; Summer Autism Institute, University of Vermont; Burlington VT 6/25/2015
- *Normal Behavior Problems in Childhood*. Region 8 Education Services Center, Pittsburg Texas; August 3, 2015
- *When is behavior not “behavioral”? Neurodevelopmental drivers of maladaptive behavior in children with special needs*. Region 8 Education Services Center, Pittsburg Texas; August 3, 2015
- *Mental Health and Behavior Challenges in ASD: Impact and Intervention*; Council for Exceptional Children – Division on Autism and Developmental Disabilities annual national conference, Honolulu HI, 1/20/2016
- *Working With Families Of Children With Autism Spectrum Disorders*; National Association of School Psychologists annual national conference, New Orleans, LA, 2/13/2016
- *High-Functioning Autism and Asperger Syndrome Across the Lifespan*. ASCEND, Philadelphia, Keynote Address, 11/12/2016

Community Service

- Advisory Board, Autism Resource Center, Variety - the Children's Charity, Philadelphia Chapter; 2009-2014

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Research Publications (peer reviewed):

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<http://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/making-sense-autistic-spectrum-disorders>

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