



As part of our **Parent Wellness Initiative**, we are happy to introduce the monthly *Parent Speaker Series* at STEPS Academy. Each month we will invite parents from the community to share their experiences in growing with their child with ASD.

The first talk will be on:

Living and Growing with Autism- Reflections on the First Chapter

By Luci Beattie, LISW-S

Luci is the mother of a 9 year old son with moderate to high functioning autism. In her spare time, she has a private practice in clinical social work counseling adolescents, adults, and families. She has been in her field over 25 years. Luci has a Bachelors Degree from Case Western Reserve University and earned her Masters in Social Work from the University of Pennsylvania.

In her talk, Luci will share her and her family's experiences in the following areas: getting the diagnosis, decisions about what treatments to pursue, negotiating with treatment providers, educational placement, negotiating relationship issues with friends, family, and "the rest of the world," best things they did and things that were not as effective, learning to care for yourself and your partner/support system, and their wish list for next chapter.

When: Tuesday September 29. 2015

6.45 PM

Where: STEPS Academy

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Parma, OH, 44134

Please R.S.V.P at 832-803-6720 or sadaf.khawar@stepsconsulting.org at your earliest convenience.

(Free parking will be available. This is a free event open to all interested)