

## FACT SHEET



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### Company Overview

#### Company History

AutismPro provides a 21st century response to the challenges of educating students with autism called *AutismPro*. The company works with school districts, early intervention providers and governments to supplement quality programs.

- Cynthia Howroyd, a speech-language pathologist and clinical director, created *AutismPro* to provide efficient and affordable guidance to professionals working with children with autism.
- The goal in developing *AutismPro* was to leverage technology to address the ongoing challenges and issues related to the treatment of children with autism.
- Understanding how the expertise of professionals, the Internet, software, and online learning could be combined in a single solution, Howroyd developed the vision of a “virtual autism clinic” that would dramatically increase accessibility to treatment guidance.
- AutismPro (Virtual Expert Clinics, Inc.) was established in 2004.
- As a result of strong interest from school districts and early intervention centers, AutismPro developed a package of software, consulting, training, and program-design services to help these institutions deliver autism programming to improve child outcomes.

#### Quick Facts

- More than 1,000 individuals and organizations in a dozen countries use *AutismPro*.
- AutismPro has established high profile re-seller partnerships in Poland (SOTIS), Australia (Autism Spectrum Australia), The Netherlands (Fontys University), and the U.S. (MAXIMUS).
- The company employs more than 20 people, with solid experience in autism programming, training, project management, and client services.
- AutismPro is based in Fredericton, New Brunswick, with offices and staff in Boston, Mass., and Denver, Colo.

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### **Professional Advisory Board**

The *AutismPro* Advisory Board represents some of the world's leading autism researchers, educators and advocates. The Advisory Board's role is to review the design, content and functionality of *AutismPro*.

- Dr. Kathleen Ann Quill, Director, Professional Advisory Board, *AutismPro* (Specialty Area: social & communication intervention)
- Dr. Concetta Russo, Assistant Professor, Seton Hall University and former Director of Special Education, Massapequa Public Schools (Specialty Area: autism, dyslexia, reading disorders, auditory processing)
- Dr. Pamela Wolfberg, San Francisco State University (Specialty Area: social intervention through play)
- Dr. Cathy Pratt, Chair, Autism Society of America; Director, Indiana Resource Center on Autism (Specialty Area: functional behavior assessment, positive behavior supports)
- Dr. Brenda Smith-Myles, Psychologist in Private Practice (Specialty Area: assessment, Aspergers Syndrome)
- Dr. Diane Twachtman-Cullen, Director, ADDCON Center (Specialty Area: communication, educational programming)
- Margaret Spoelstra, Executive Director, Autism Ontario (Specialty Area: needs of autism community)
- Paula Aquilla, Occupational Therapist (Specialty Area: sensory integration, motor skill development)
- Theo Peeters, Founder, Centre for Training on Autism, Belgium (Specialty Area: autism training, autism in Europe)
- Dr. Michael Cameron, Director of Graduate Programs in Behavioral Education, Simmons College, Boston (Specialty Area: Applied Behavior Analysis or ABA)
- Neil Walker, Program Director, Geneva Center for Autism (Specialty Area: parent education, program delivery)

### **Board of Directors**

- Brian Neill – Chairman, AutismPro
- Kevin Custer – CEO, AutismPro
- Cynthia Howroyd, SLP – Founder, AutismPro
- Steve Abrams – Director, Venture Capital, Business Development Bank of Canada
- Peter Clark – Regional Investment Manager, GrowthWorks Atlantic Ltd.
- Remington Fairlamb – Vice President-Sales, TeachScape Inc.
- David Wagner – President & CEO, Atlantic Hydrogen

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