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**DR. ROBERT SCHULTZ OF CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA ADDED AS
NEW SPEAKER AT THE AUTISM SCIENCE FOUNDATION’S FOURTH ANNUAL “DAY
OF LEARNING” ON MARCH 30**

Talks to Focus on New Technologies Being Used to Improve Autism Diagnosis

NEW YORK, NY (February 23, 2017) – The [Autism Science Foundation](#) (ASF), a not-for-profit organization dedicated to funding and advancing innovative autism research, announced today that Robert T. Schultz, PhD, director of the Center for Autism Research at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) and the RAC Endowed Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at University of Pennsylvania, has been added to the program of top researchers and clinicians who will give TED-Style talks at the organization’s fourth annual “Day of Learning” event on Thursday, March 30.

Dr. Schultz’s talk will focus on new and emerging technologies that are being used to improve ASD diagnostics.

"I had the opportunity to see Dr. Schultz's presentation at a closed science meeting and I was blown away," said ASF president Alison Singer. "Although it's very early stage, it's exactly the kind of breakthrough science we want to showcase at our Day of Learning."

Other confirmed speakers for the ASF Day of Learning are Dr. Wendy Chung, Director of Clinical Research, Simons Foundation; Amy Lutz, Co-Founder, EASI Foundation; Dr. David Mandell, Professor, Director, Center for Mental Health Policy and Services, University of Pennsylvania; Dr. James McPartland, Associate Professor, Director, Developmental Disabilities Clinic, Child Study Center, Yale University; Dr. Craig Newschaffer, Professor, Director, A.J. Drexel Autism Institute, Drexel University; Dr. Celine Saulnier, Professor, Clinical Director for Research, Marcus Autism Center, Emory University; and Dr. Donna Werling, Postdoctoral Fellow, University of California, San Francisco.

Tickets for the “Day of Learning,” which includes lunch, are available [online](#). Proceeds from the conference will benefit the Foundation’s [pre- and post- doctoral autism fellowship programs](#), supporting early career research by the nation’s most promising, young autism scientists.

About the Autism Science Foundation

The Autism Science Foundation (ASF) is a 501(c) (3) public charity. Its mission is to support autism research by providing funding to scientists and organizations conducting autism research. ASF also provides information about autism to the general public and serves to increase awareness of autism spectrum disorders and the needs of individuals and families affected by autism. To learn more about the Autism Science Foundation, or to make a donation, visit www.autismsciencefoundation.org.

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