LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ABA : Applied Behavioural Analysis
ADHD : Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
AS : Asperger Syndrome
ASD : Autism Spectrum Disorders
DD : Developmentally Delayed
DTI : Discrete Trial Instruction
HFA : High Functioning Autism
LEAP : Learning Experience, an Alternative Programme for Preschoolers and their Parents
NLP : Natural Language Paradigm
PDD-NOS : Pervasive Developmental Disorder Not Otherwise Specified
PECS : Picture Exchange Communication System
PRT : Pivotal Response Training
SST : Social Skill Training
TC : Total Communication
TD : Typical Development
TEACCH : Treatment and Education of Autistic and Related Communication Handicapped Children
TLC-E : Test of Language Competence Expanded Edition
VOCA : Voice Output Communication Aids