



## **INSTRUCTOR**

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Dr. Baltazar Mori is the owner and founder of playSense, a pediatric occupational therapy clinic in Redondo Beach, CA and ASImentoring.com an online SI mentoring program. In 2000, she earned her Doctoral and Master's degrees in Occupational Therapy at the University of Southern California. She further pursued advanced training in sensory integration, which she uses to guide her therapeutic approach and treatment planning.

Annie lectures, nationally and internationally, on topics related to theory and application of sensory integration and social participation. She regularly participates in research and is a contributing author on several scientific research articles with a focus in the field of occupational therapy and sensory integration (Baltazar Mori, 2007; 2014; Koester et al., 2014; Mailloux et al., 2014). She served as the chairperson of the Sensory Integration Special Interest Section for the American Occupational Therapy Association where she and her committee advocated for recognition of the distinct value of Ayres Sensory Integration within the profession. Dr. Baltazar Mori is also the co-author of the book *Every Child Wants to Play: Simple and Effective Strategies for Teaching Social Skills* (2007) as well as the Sensory Integration chapter in *Frames of Reference for Pediatric Occupational Therapy* (2019).

Annie is mother of two young boys and enjoys spending time with family in the outdoors and playing in the ocean.