



# Parents as Teachers

## AUTISM RESOURCES

Autism spectrum disorders (ASDs) are a group of developmental disabilities that impact language and social skills and often involve challenging behaviors. People with an ASD perceive and process the world differently. This list of resources is provided as a guide for early childhood professionals and families seeking reliable information on ASDs. Many of these Web sites offer information in other languages. This work was supported by grant award U215K090350 from the U.S. Department of Education.

**Autism Internet Modules (AIM)** - <http://autisminternetmodules.org/index.php>

[Free online learning modules]

**Autism Society** - [www.autism-society.org/site/PageServer](http://www.autism-society.org/site/PageServer)

[Awareness, information and referral, research, state and local chapters]

**Autism Speaks** - [www.autismspeaks.org/index.php](http://www.autismspeaks.org/index.php)

[Awareness, advocacy, research, state and local chapters; *The First 100 Days Guide for Families*]

**American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)** - [www.aap.org/healthtopics/autism.cfm](http://www.aap.org/healthtopics/autism.cfm)

[Professional and family resources]

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)** - [www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/index.html)

[Information, resources, free materials to assist in early identification]

**Children's Autism Recovery Map (ChARM)** <https://charmtracker.com/login.sas>

[This is the free online tracker for families with children experiencing ASD. It allows parents to track medical notes, interventions, progress, etc.]

**First Signs** - [www.firstsigns.org](http://www.firstsigns.org)

[Early identification and screening resources]

**Interactive Autism Network (IAN)** - [www.iancommunity.org](http://www.iancommunity.org)

[A project of the Kennedy Krieger Institute to facilitate research. Abundant information. Professionals and parents are invited to share autism data and participate in research projects.]

**Maternal & Child Health Library – Autism Spectrum Disorders Knowledge Path** -

[www.mchlibrary.info/KnowledgePaths/kp\\_autism.html#Families](http://www.mchlibrary.info/KnowledgePaths/kp_autism.html#Families) [Information]

**National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities** – [www.nichcy.org](http://www.nichcy.org) [Articles and state resources]

**National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center** - [www.nectac.org/topics/autism/autism.asp](http://www.nectac.org/topics/autism/autism.asp)

[Information]



**National Institute of Mental Health** - [www.nimh.nih.gov/health/topics/autism-spectrum-disorders-pervasive-developmental-disorders/index.shtml](http://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/topics/autism-spectrum-disorders-pervasive-developmental-disorders/index.shtml)  
[Information]

**National Professional Development Center on ASD** - <http://autismpdc.fpg.unc.edu> [Information and resources]

**Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI)** - [www.ocali.org](http://www.ocali.org)  
[Resources and online learning modules.]

**Thompson Center for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disorders University of MO**  
<http://thompsoncenter.missouri.edu/training/index.php> [Online learning modules - *Understanding Autism in Young Children, Screening and Referral*]

**UC Davis Mind Institute** - [www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/mindinstitute](http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/mindinstitute) [Information and research]

**Yale Seminar on Autism** - <http://autism.yale.edu> [Learning modules]

## TREATMENT APPROACHES

**Association for Science in Autism Treatment** - [www.asatonline.org](http://www.asatonline.org) [Information related to autism treatments and other information.]

**Interactive Autism Network (IAN)** - [http://www.iancommunity.org/cs/therapies\\_treatments/](http://www.iancommunity.org/cs/therapies_treatments/)

**Interactive Collaborative Autism Network** - [www.autismnetwork.org/modules/index.html](http://www.autismnetwork.org/modules/index.html) [Learning modules of various treatment approaches]

**National Autism Center** - [www.nationalautismcenter.org](http://www.nationalautismcenter.org) [Established National Standards for effective, research-validated educational and behavioral interventions]

**Applied Behavior Analysis** - [www.abainternational.org/ba.asp](http://www.abainternational.org/ba.asp)

**Pivotal Response Treatment** - [www.education.ucsb.edu/autism/](http://www.education.ucsb.edu/autism/)

**Positive Behavior Support** – [www.pbis.org](http://www.pbis.org) and <http://challengingbehavior.org>

**rethink autism** [www.rethinkautism.com](http://www.rethinkautism.com) [A for-profit company that offers online training for professionals and family members using Applied Behavior Analysis intervention, creates individualized plan and electronic tracking of a child's progress for a monthly fee. This might help those rural families or others without access to services.]