

Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Collection

What are Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD)?

ASD is a complex developmental disability that typically appears during the first three years of life and affects a person's ability to communicate and interact with others. Autism is defined by a certain set of behaviors and is a "spectrum disorder" that affects individuals differently and to varying degrees. There is no known single cause for autism. *ASD is a lifelong disorder with no single cause.*

What resources are available to practitioners in the collection?

A dynamic, comprehensive collection of materials and resources to assist in your understanding of ASD and implementation of appropriate interventions and supports for individuals on the autism spectrum across the lifespan including:

PowerPoint Presentations with Presenter's Guides – PowerPoints which can be utilized by anyone are provided. The ASD topics covered include: Characteristics; Supports and Interventions; Eligibility; Programming; Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA) Relevance for ASD; Schoolwide Social Emotional Learning; Schoolwide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports and Students with ASD: Tips and Tweaks for Effective Schoolwide PBIS for Students with ASD; Transition to Adulthood; High Quality Professional Development for Autism at the District Level; and Addressing the Common Core State Standards for Learners with ASD. A separate Presenter's Guide with content and notes is included for each presentation.

Glossary - Key terms and acronyms associated with autism spectrum disorders

Dialogue Guides - Models for conducting interactive discussions on autism spectrum disorders across stakeholder groups

Essential Elements/Guiding Principles/Grounding Assumptions - Unifying beliefs that are the foundation for our collaborative efforts in the area of ASD

Resource Listing – Extensive list of ASD resources available.

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ASD Resources

The National Community of Practice in Autism Spectrum Disorders works to increase the capacity to provide interdisciplinary, comprehensive, effectively designed programs and interventions. The resources are available to cross stakeholder groups including those who live with or support individuals with ASD and their families.

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