Autism Information and Resource Sites

GENERAL INFORMATION

- National Institutes of Child Health and Development
  - www.nichd.nih.gov/health/topics/asd.cfm
- National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities
  - www.nichcy.org/Disabilities/Specific/Pages/Autism.aspx
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke
- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
  - www.aap.org/healthtopics/Autism.cfm
- National Institute of Mental Health
  - www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/topics/index-autism-publication-all.shtml
- Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
  - www.dds.ca.gov/autism
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
  - www.cdc.gov/autism
- University of Washington Autism Center
  - http://depts.washington.edu/uwautism

DIAGNOSIS/RED FLAGS

- Autism Society of America
  - www.autism-society.org/site/PageServer?pageName=about_diag
- Learn the Signs. Act Early.
  - www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/actearly/autism.html
- First Signs
  - www.firstsigns.org
- DDS Best Practice Guidelines for screening and diagnosis (2002)
  - www.dds.ca.gov/autism/

HOW COMMON IS AUTISM? (Prevalence)

- CDC surveillance summaries
  - www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/faq.htm

WHAT CAUSES AUTISM?  (Information on proposed etiologies)

- Autism and Genes – NICHHD
- NIH News Autism Risk Higher in People with Gene Variant
- Autism and MMR Vaccine –NIH/ AAP/CDC
  - www.nichd.nih.gov/publications/pubs/autism/mmr
  - www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/vaccines.htm
- SEED/CADDRE – Early Development and Risk Factors
  - www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/seed_faqs.htm
WHAT CAUSES AUTISM?  (Information on proposed etiologies) – continued
  • National Children’s Study – Environmental exposures study
    • www.nationalchildrensstudy.gov

INTERVENTION
  • National Standards Project/National Autism Center – ASD guidelines for Effective Intervention
    • www.asdguidelines.org

AUTISM CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE- Research Studies
  • UCLA
    • www.autism.ucla.edu