

AUTISM & COMMUNICATION

- Autism now affects 1 in 110 children, and 1 in 70 boys
- More children will be diagnosed with autism this year than with AIDS, diabetes & cancer combined
- Autism is the fastest-growing serious developmental disability in the U.S.
- Autism costs the nation over \$35 billion per year, a figure expected to significantly increase in the next decade
- Autism receives less than 5% of the research funding of many less prevalent childhood diseases
- Boys are four times more likely than girls to have autism
- Children with autism may have difficulty developing language skills, understanding what others say to them and/or communicating nonverbally
- Speech therapists screen for, evaluate and treat speech language disorders secondary to the primary diagnosis of Autism or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
- There is no medical detection or cure for autism

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