

Diagnosis

KidsCare Therapy does not diagnose for Autism. We do, however, treat many of the symptoms frequently associated with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

What is Autism?

Autism is a disorder of neural development characterized by impaired social interaction and communication, and by restricted and repetitive behavior.

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) severity, according to the DSM-5, (the standard used to diagnose and classify medical disorders) is based on social communication impairments and restricted or repetitive patterns of behavior.

Signs of Autism Spectrum Disorder

- Responding inappropriately in conversations
- Misreading non-verbal cues (frowning, crying)
- Difficulty building/maintaining friendships
- Over-dependence on routines
- High sensitivity to change
- Intense focus on a particular item
- Delayed gross motor skills
- Difficulty dressing, feeding and other self-help tasks
- Difficulty following directions
- Difficulty with hand-eye coordination when stacking block, writing, etc.
- Avoiding or intensely seeking:
 - movement
 - touching items
 - smelling items

KidsCare Therapy Offers

Speech Therapy

- Social Skills
- Oral Motor Skills
- Feeding
- Communication
 - Receptive
 - Expressive

Occupational Therapy

- Play Skills
- Fine Motor Skills
- Visual Motor Skills
- Oral Motor Skills
- Feeding

Physical Therapy

- Toe Walking
- Gross motor delays
 - Walking
 - Running
 - Climbing

Resources

- Autism Speaks:** autismspeaks.org
- National Autism Network:** nationalautismnetwork.com
- Easter Seals Autism:** easterseals.com/our-programs/autism-services
- Autism Treatment Center:** atcoftexas.org
- Metrocare Services:** metrocareservices.org
- Baylor Center for Autism:** baylor.edu/soe/index.php?id=66051

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