



Autism Awareness Facts

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What is autism?

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability that affects each person diagnosed differently, which is why it is often referred to as a spectrum disorder. Individuals identified with autism can struggle with communication, social skills, relationships and self-regulation.

Individuals with autism could possibly face challenges with family and peer relationships and social interactions, avoid eye contact, display repetitive and self-harming behaviors, have rigid thought patterns with trouble concentrating, have a lack of executive functioning skills and/or an inability to tolerate change or unexpected events. Each person is unique and therefore their particular set of characteristics are not like another's.

There is no known cause of autism and there is no cure. We have found that early intervention provides the best opportunity for healthy development and benefits over a lifetime.

When a family gets the news that their child is diagnosed with autism and/or intellectual disabilities they can feel helpless. SOS Health Care answers their call for help. We can provide guidance, programs, resources & support to those diagnosed, along with their families, so they may seek comfort in knowing their child can have an independent future.

Autism Facts

- 1 in 54 children will be diagnosed with autism every year in the United States, according to the new 2020 CDC report.
 - 1 in 34 boys and 1 in 144 girls will be identified with autism
 - Boys are four times more likely than girls to be diagnosed
- Autism can occur in all ethnic and socioeconomic groups
- Children being diagnosed with autism by the age of 4 is becoming more prevalent, however it is possible to accurately receive a diagnosis as early as 2 years old.
 - The younger a child is identified with autism, the sooner they can begin early intervention services such as ABA Therapy.

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