

WHAT IS AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER? (ASD)



DEFINITION OF ASD

Autism Spectrum Disorder is a group of developmental disabilities that can cause significant social, communication and behavioral challenges.

Because autism occurs on a spectrum, ASD impacts each person differently and can range from minimal support to very substantial Support.

Know the signs of ASD in Children under 2 years old!



6 Months

- No social emotion expressions towards others
- Limited or no eye contact.

9 Months

- No sharing of vocal sounds, smiles or other nonverbal communication

12 Months

- No babbling
- No response to name when called
- No use of gestures to communicate

16 Months

- No words

24 Months

- No meaningful 2-word phrases
- Any loss of previous mastered skills

Remember all kids are different!
There are no "ONE FITS ALL".

Statistics of ASD

- 1 in 36 children in the world are diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder
- Male to female ratio is 4:1.
- 40% of childrens with Autism are Non-Verbal

