WEBSITES

www.autism-society.org: Autism Society of America is the first web site for Parents and Providers specific to Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Well updated and comprehensive, information is also available in other languages (e.g., Spanish). This site also provides useful links to other related websites.

www.autismspeaks.org: Autism Speaks is dedicated to increasing awareness of ASDs, funding research into the causes, prevention and treatments for autism, and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families. One particularly helpful feature of this website is the “Toolkits” section.

www.aacap.org: Website for the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. The section Facts for Families offers very useful information for families on all aspects of psychopathology. Many children with an ASD diagnosis have received other psychiatric diagnoses. This web site offers information on those disorders and valuable links with other general resources.

www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is a federally-funded agency committed to scientific developments in research on ASD and other conditions. This website provides basic information on ASDs as well as information specific to scientific research.

www.brightfutures.org: Bright Futures at Georgetown University - The American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry have endorsed this initiative funded by several federal agencies to provide education and resources about general topics in children’s health. Families are referred to the Mental Health document and the chapters on Development, Pervasive Developmental Disabilities, and Mental Retardation, although families may find value in many other chapters. The Bright Futures Initiative is designed to serve both Providers and Parents.

www.poweroftheordinary.org/sitemap.php: From the Center for Dissemination and Utilization which promotes the use of evidence-based practices by parents and practitioners in early intervention, early childhood education, and parent and family support programs. Contains a wealth of tools to help parents of children ages 0-6 recognize and use powerful everyday learning opportunities with their children.

http://firstwords.fsu.edu/: First Words Project is a model early identification and intervention program based at Florida State University. This website contains basic information about ASDs, videos, and information for parents.
**Indiana Resource Center for Autism** provides communities, professionals, and families with the knowledge and skills to support children and adults in typical early intervention, school, community, work, and home settings. This website contains many useful articles and resources, including tablet applications and visual supports.


www.do2learn.com: Educational Resources for Special Needs. Many printable tools and resources for families to help their children, including visual supports and schedules, communication cards, games, etc.

www.firstsigns.org: First Signs is dedicated to the early identification of and intervention with children with developmental delays and disorders.

**Asperger’s Syndrome and High-Functioning ASD Websites:**

www.aspennj.org: Asperger’s Syndrome Education Network

www.maapservices.org: Global Asperger’s & High Functioning ASD Information and Support Network

**ASD Research Websites:**

http://aarr.stanford.edu/: Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome Research Reports


www.mindinstitute.org: UC Davis M.I.N.D. Institute

**BOOKS**

**Understanding ASDs, Intervention, and Education:**

*Ten Things Every Child with Autism Wishes You Knew* (2012) by Ellen Notbohm

*Overcoming Autism* (2005) by Lynn Kern Koegel and Claire LaZebnik

*Right from the Start: Behavioral Intervention for Young Children with Autism, Second Edition* (2007) by Sandra Harris and Mary Jane Weiss (appropriate for parents of children who are 18 months to 5 years old)


Solving behavior problems in autism: Improving communication with visual strategies (1999) by Linda Hodgdon


Autism & Developmental Delays in Young Children: The Responsive Teaching Curriculum for Parents and Professionals (2007) by Gerald Mahoney and James MacDonald


Play to Talk: A Practical Guide to Help Your Late-Talking Child Join the Conversation (2007) by James MacDonald


- How to do Incidental Teaching
- How to Support Children with Problem Behavior
- How to Teach and Plan for Peer Social Interactions
- How to Use Joint Action Routines
- How to Do Discrete Trial Training
- How to Use Video Modeling and Video Prompting
- How to Use Augmentative & Alternative Communication
- How to Develop & Implement Visual Supports
- How to Write and Implement Social Scripts
- How to Plan a Structured Classroom


Books Specific to Social Skills Development:


www.thegraycenter.org


Thinking About You Thinking About Me by Michelle Garcia-Winner, published by Michelle G. Winner, SLP (September 2007) www.socialthinking.com

You are a Social Detective: Explaining Social Thinking to Kids (2010) by Michelle Garcia Winner, Pamela Crooke, and Kelly Knopp


Social Skills Training for Children and Adolescents with Asperger Syndrome and Social-Communications Problems (2003) by Jed Baker

Books on High-Functioning Autism and Asperger’s Syndrome:

What it is to be Me! An Asperger Kid Book (2005) by Angela Wine [appropriate for children ages 4 and older]


Asperger’s Syndrome and Psychotherapy: Understanding Asperger Perspectives (2003) by Paula Jacobsen
Asperger's: What Does It Mean to Me? (2000) by Catherine Faherty & Gary B. Mesibov


Jarvis Clutch: Social Spy (2001) by Melvine Levine, Jarvis Clutch, and Ed Shems


Late, Lost and Unprepared: A parent’s guide to helping children with executive functioning (2008) by Joyce Cooper-Kahn and Laurie Dietzel

Asperger syndrome and difficult moments: Practical solutions for tantrums, rage, and meltdowns (2005) by Brenda Myles and Jack Southwick

**Books for Girls with ASDs:**

Asperger’s and Girls (2006) by Tony Attwood, Temple Grandin, Teresa Bollick, and Catherine Faharty

A 5 is Against the Law: Social Boundaries: Straight Up! (2007) by Kari Dunn Buron


**Books Related to Sensory Issues:**

The Out-of-Sync Child: Recognizing and Coping with Sensory Processing Disorder, Revised Edition (2005) by Carol Kranowitz, M.A.


Raising a Sensory Smart Child (2009) by Lindsey Biel and Nancy Peske
COMMUNITY SERVICES

State and Local Websites:

www.dhcs.ca.gov: Department of Health Care Services

www.dds.ca.gov: The California Department of Developmental Services (DDS). This site has valuable updates on the Autism Best Practices report as well as existing services and mandates. Additionally, this site has links to other State agencies.

www.cde.ca.gov/re/sd: Web site for CA School Districts

Parent Organizations in the Northern California Region:

**South Bay**
Parents Helping Parents: (408) 727-5775 x160
1400 Parkmoor Ave, Suite 100; San Jose, CA 95126
www.php.com

Jeena Hope for Kids (408) 957-0481
1510 Centre Pointe, Milpitas, CA 95035
http://www.jeena.org

Autism Santa Cruz
A support group for Santa Cruz families with children on the autism spectrum
9010 Soquel Dr., Aptos, CA 95003
http://www.mykland.com/autism/Autism_Santa_x.html

**San Mateo County**
Community Gatepath (650) 259-8500
(many locations)
www.gatepath.org

**Contra Costa County**
CARE Parent Network (800) 281-3023
1340 Arnold Dr. Suite 115, Martinez, CA 94553
www.careparentnetwork.org

**Alameda County**
Family Resource Network (510) 547-7322
5232 Claremont Ave. Oakland, CA 94618
www.frnoakland.org

Friends of Children with Special Needs (510) 739-6900
2300 Peralta Blvd., Fremont, CA
http://www.fcsn1996.org
Marin, Napa, Solano, & Sonoma Counties
Matrix Parent Network (415) 884-3535
94 Galli Dr. Suite C, Novato, CA 94949 (800) 578-2592
www.matrixparents.org

San Francisco
Support for Families of Children with Disabilities (415) 282-7494
2601 Mission St., 3rd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94110
www.supportforfamilies.org

San Francisco Bay Area Autism Society (650) 637-7772
PO Box 1207, San Carlos, CA 94070

Bay Area Regional Centers:

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<td>Alta California Regional Center 2241 Harvard St, Sacramento, CA 95815</td>
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<td>Regional Center of the East Bay 500 Davis St, Suite 100, San Leandro, CA 94577</td>
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