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Accommodation and Compliance Series

Accommodation and Compliance Series: Employees with Autism Spectrum

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Preface

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JAN'S Accommodation and Compliance Series

Introduction

JAN's Accommodation and Compliance Series is designed to help employers determine effective accommodations and comply with Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Each publication in the series addresses a specific medical condition and provides information about the condition, ADA information, accommodation ideas, and resources for additional information.

The Accommodation and Compliance Series is a starting point in the accommodation process and may not address every situation. Accommodations should be made on a case by case basis, considering each employee's individual limitations and accommodation needs. Employers are encouraged to contact JAN to discuss specific situations in more detail.

For information on assistive technology and other accommodation ideas, visit JAN's Searchable Online Accommodation Resource (SOAR) at <https://AskJAN.org/soar>.

Information about Autism Spectrum Disorders

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a neurodevelopmental disorder that is characterized by persistent deficits in social communication and social interaction across multiple contexts, including deficits in social reciprocity, nonverbal communicative behaviors used for social interaction, and skills in developing, maintaining, and understanding relationships. For the diagnosis, the presence of restricted, repetitive patterns of behavior, interests, or activities is required.

JAN's [Accommodation Solutions: Executive Functioning Deficits](#) is a publication detailing accommodations for limitations related to executive functioning. These ideas may be helpful in determining accommodations.

Autism Spectrum Disorders and the Americans with Disabilities Act

The ADA does not contain a definitive list of medical conditions that constitute disabilities. Instead, the ADA defines a person with a disability as someone who (1) has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more "major life activities," (2) has a record of such an impairment, or (3) is regarded as having such an impairment. For more information about how to determine whether a person has a disability under the ADA, see [How to Determine Whether a Person Has a Disability under the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act \(ADAAA\)](#).

Accommodating Employees with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Autism Spectrum Disorders may involve some of the limitations discussed below but seldom all of them. Also, the degree of limitation will vary from person to person. Be aware that not all people on the autism spectrum will need accommodations to perform their jobs and many others may only need a few accommodations. The following is only a sample of the possibilities available. Numerous other accommodation solutions may exist.

Questions to Consider:

1. What limitations is the employee experiencing?
2. How do these limitations affect the employee and the employee's job performance?
3. What specific job tasks are problematic as a result of these limitations?
4. What accommodations are available to reduce or eliminate these problems? Are all possible resources being used to determine possible accommodations?
5. Once accommodations are in place, would it be useful to meet with the employee to evaluate the effectiveness of the accommodations and to determine whether additional accommodations are needed?
6. Do supervisory personnel and employees need training?

Accommodation Ideas:

Limitations

Attentiveness/Concentration

- Products
 - Alternative Lighting
 - Applications (apps)
 - Apps for Concentration
 - Cubicle Doors, Shields, and Shades
 - Desk Organizers
 - Desk Pedal Exercisers
 - Electronic Organizers
 - Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines

- Fidget Devices
- Focus Enhancement
- Full Spectrum or Natural Lighting Products
- Noise Abatement
- Noise Canceling Earbuds
- Noise Canceling Headsets
- Simulated Skylights and Windows
- Sound Absorption and Sound Proof Panels
- Sun Boxes and Lights
- Sun Simulating Desk Lamps
- Timers and Watches
- Calendars and Planners
- Services
 - Job Coaches
- Strategies
 - Behavior Modification Techniques
 - Color Coded System
 - Flexible Schedule
 - Job Restructuring
 - Marginal Functions
 - Modified Break Schedule
 - Task Flow Chart
 - Task Separation
 - Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely
 - Uninterrupted "Off" Work Time
 - Verbal Cues
 - Worksite Redesign / Modified Workspace
 - Written Instructions

Executive Functioning Deficits

- Apps for Concentration
- Apps for Memory

- Calendars and Planners
- Checklists
- Color Coded System
- Cubicle Doors, Shields, and Shades
- Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines
- Extra Time
- Flexible Schedule
- Form Generating Software
- Full Spectrum or Natural Lighting Products
- Job Coaches
- Job Restructuring
- Marginal Functions
- Modified Break Schedule
- Noise Canceling Earbuds
- Noise Canceling Headsets
- On-site Mentoring
- Recorded Directives, Messages, Materials
- Reminders
- Sound Absorption and Sound Proof Panels
- Speech Recognition Software
- Sun Boxes and Lights
- Sun Simulating Desk Lamps
- Timers and Watches
- Written Instructions

Managing Time

- Products
 - Applications (apps)
 - Apps for Organization/ Time Management
 - Electronic Organizers
 - Fitness Trackers

- PDAs, Notetakers, and Laptops
 - Smart Watches
 - Timers and Watches
 - Calendars and Planners
- Services
 - Job Coaches
- Strategies
 - Additional Training Time / Training Refreshers
 - Checklists
 - Color-coded Manuals, Outlines, and Maps
 - Color Coded System
 - Extra Time
 - Marginal Functions
 - Reminders
 - Recorded Directives, Messages, Materials
 - Supervisory Methods
 - Support Person
 - Task Flow Chart
 - Task Separation
 - Verbal Cues
 - Written Forms and Prompts
 - Written Instructions

Memory Loss

- Products
 - Apps for Memory
 - Break Reminder Software
 - Electronic Organizers
 - Form Generating Software
 - Labels/Bulletin Board
 - Medication Reminders
 - Memory Software

- Notepad or White Board
- On-Screen "Ruler" / Strip
- Timers and Watches
- Calendars and Planners
- Strategies
 - Additional Training Time / Training Refreshers
 - Checklists
 - Color-coded Manuals, Outlines, and Maps
 - Color Coded System
 - Extra Time
 - Recorded Directives, Messages, Materials
 - Reminders
 - Supervisory Methods
 - Support Person
 - Task Flow Chart
 - Task Separation
 - Verbal Cues
 - Voice Recorders
 - Written Forms and Prompts
 - Written Instructions

Noise Sensitivity

- Alerting Devices
- Communicate Another Way
- Communication Access Technologies
- Fans
- Hearing Protection
- Noise Abatement
- Noise Canceling Earbuds
- Noise Canceling Headsets
- Real-time and Off-line Captioning Services
- Sound Absorption and Sound Proof Panels

- Worksite Redesign / Modified Workspace

Organizing/Planning/Prioritizing

- Products
 - Apps for Organization/ Time Management
 - Desk Organizers
 - Electronic Organizers
 - Ergonomic Equipment
 - Labels/Bulletin Board
 - Note Collection Software and Technology
 - Notepad or White Board
 - Organization Software
 - Timers and Watches
 - Calendars and Planners
 - Workflow Management Software
- Services
 - Job Coaches
 - Professional Organizers
- Strategies
 - Additional Training Time / Training Refreshers
 - Checklists
 - Color Coded System
 - Color-coded Manuals, Outlines, and Maps
 - Job Restructuring
 - Marginal Functions
 - On-site Mentoring
 - Organization/Prioritization Skills
 - Recorded Directives, Messages, Materials
 - Reminders
 - Supervisory Methods
 - Task Flow Chart
 - Task Identification

- Task Separation
- Written Instructions

Photosensitivity

- Alternative Lighting
- Anti-Glare Filters for Fluorescent Lights
- Anti-Glare/Radiation Filters for Computer Screens
- Blue Light Filters
- Cubicle Doors, Shields, and Shades
- Fluorescent Light Tube Covers
- Full Spectrum or Natural Lighting Products
- LED Light Filters
- LED Lighting
- Light Filtering Glasses
- Lighting Gel Filters
- Non-Fluorescent Lighting
- Sun/UV Protective Clothing
- Vehicle Window Tinting and Shades

Respiratory Distress/Breathing Problem

- Air Cleaners & Purifiers
- Air Cleaners - Chemical/Odor Removal
- Air Cleaning Systems
- Air Purifiers for Multiple Chemical Sensitivity
- Alternative Cleaning Supplies
- Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Device
- Carpet Alternatives, Sealants, and Sustainable Flooring
- Escape Hoods
- Flexible Schedule
- Floor Cleaning/Stripping Products - Chemical Sensitivity
- Low/No Odor Paints and Stains
- Mask Brackets and Frames

- Masks - Respirator
- Masks – General/Chemical/Allergen
- Odor Control
- Outgoing Voice Amplification - Telephone
- Personal Air Cleaner (Neckworn)
- Personal On-Site Paging Devices
- Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR)
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely
- Voice Amplification

Stress Intolerance

- Products
 - Apps for Anxiety and Stress
 - Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines
 - Fitness Trackers
 - Simulated Skylights and Windows
 - Sun Boxes and Lights
 - Sun Simulating Desk Lamps
- Services
 - Counseling/Therapy
 - Employee Assistance Program
- Strategies
 - Behavior Modification Techniques
 - Communicate Another Way
 - Complying with Behavior and Conduct Rules
 - Flexible Schedule
 - Instant Messaging and Texting Solutions for Businesses
 - Job Restructuring
 - Marginal Functions
 - Modified Break Schedule
 - On-site Mentoring

- One-on-One Communication
- Policy Modification
- Positive Feedback
- Supervisory Feedback
- Supervisory Methods
- Support Animal
- Support Person
- Telepresence
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely

Work-Related Functions

Air Quality/Irritants

- Air Cleaners & Purifiers
- Air Cleaners - Chemical/Odor Removal
- Air Cleaning Systems
- Air Purifiers - No Ozone
- Air Purifiers for Multiple Chemical Sensitivity
- Alternative Cleaning Supplies
- Carpet Alternatives, Sealants, and Sustainable Flooring
- Escape Hoods
- Flexible Schedule
- Floor Cleaning/Stripping Products - Chemical Sensitivity
- Low/No Odor Paints and Stains
- Mask Brackets and Frames
- Masks - Respirator
- Masks – General/Chemical/Allergen
- Odor Control
- Personal Air Cleaner (Neckworn)
- Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR)
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely

Communicate

- Aide/Assistant/Attendant
- Behavior Modification Techniques
- On-site Mentoring
- Service Animal
- Verbal Responses

Light

- Alternative Lighting
- Anti-Glare Filters for Fluorescent Lights
- Flexible Schedule
- Fluorescent Light Tube Covers
- Full Spectrum or Natural Lighting Products
- LED Light Filters
- Lighting Gel Filters
- Modified Lighting
- Non-Fluorescent Lighting
- Personal Visors
- Simulated Skylights and Windows
- Sun/UV Protective Clothing
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely
- Transparent Window Shades
- UV Protection Shelters
- Vehicle Window Tinting and Shades

Noise

- Cubicle Doors, Shields, and Shades
- Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines
- Fans
- Flexible Schedule
- Folding Wall Partitions and Room Dividers
- Noise Abatement
- Noise Canceling Headsets

- Strobe Lights
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely

Policies

- Additional Training Time / Training Refreshers
- Aide/Assistant/Attendant
- Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines
- Flexible Schedule
- Marginal Functions
- Modified Break Schedule
- Periodic Rest Breaks
- Physical/Social Distancing Signage
- Policy Modification
- Reassignment
- Service Animal
- Sleep Alerting Devices
- Strobe Lights
- Supervisory Methods
- Support Animal
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely
- Touchless Faucets

Stress

- Apps for Anxiety and Stress
- Behavior Modification Techniques
- Counseling/Therapy
- Environmental Sound Machines / Tinnitus Maskers / White Noise Machines
- Flexible Schedule
- Job Coaches
- Job Restructuring
- Marginal Functions

- Modified Break Schedule
- Monitor Mirrors
- Odor Control
- On-site Mentoring
- Service Animal
- Simulated Skylights and Windows
- Strobe Lights
- Supervisory Methods
- Support Animal
- Support Person
- Telework, Work from Home, Working Remotely
- Uninterrupted Work Time

Situations and Solutions:

The following situations and solutions are real-life examples of accommodations that were made by JAN customers. Because accommodations are made on a case-by-case basis, these examples may not be effective for every workplace but give you an idea about the types of accommodations that are possible.

An applicant with autism spectrum disorder applied for a research position with a chemical company.

He has a verbal communication deficit, though can communicate through handwriting and by e-mail. The employer wanted to provide accommodations during the first stage interview, which involved answering questions from a three-person search committee. JAN suggested providing the questions in advance and allowing the applicant to furnish written responses during the interview.

An employee with autism spectrum disorder works for a large marketing firm.

Though knowledgeable in her field, she had difficulty participating in work activities with her team. JAN suggested job restructuring, which allowed her to work independently while providing information to her team electronically. This gave the employee the social distance she needed to be comfortable, yet also provided the team with information needed to move forward with marketing campaigns.

A scientist with autism spectrum disorder was able to speak at times, but also experienced episodes when she found it difficult to speak and needed to use a speech device or speech generating app.

She was preparing to present her research at a conference. She pre-recorded audio to go with her slides and brought a tablet with a speech generating app with her in case she needed it during the question and answer portion of her presentation.

A new hire at a fast food restaurant has autism spectrum disorder.

He completed his new job tasks quickly and efficiently but then remained idle until someone told him the next task to perform. The manager complained that the employee "just stands around" and "looks bored." JAN suggested the use of a job coach to help learn the job and how to stay occupied during down time. JAN also suggested using a pocket-sized flowchart of work tasks that can be done when the employee is at a standstill.

A professor with autism spectrum disorder had difficulty keeping daily office hours and experienced anxiety because the timing of students' consultations was unpredictable.

JAN suggested modifying the schedule as an accommodation, for example the professor could reduce the number of days he has office hours, but have more office hours on those days. JAN also suggested adjusting the method by which students obtain appointments, asking students to schedule at least one day in advance and when possible, allow the professor to conduct consultations electronically, by phone, or by instant messenger. In addition, JAN suggested documenting each student consultation

to ease the professor's anxiety about the meeting and to refresh his memory about previous meetings with the student.

Products

There are numerous products that can be used to accommodate people with limitations. JAN's Searchable Online Accommodation Resource at <https://AskJAN.org/soar> is designed to let users explore various accommodation options. Many product vendor lists are accessible through this system; however, JAN provides these lists and many more that are not available on the Web site upon request. Contact JAN directly if you have specific accommodation situations, are looking for products, need vendor information, or are seeking a referral.

Resources

Job Accommodation Network

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The Job Accommodation Network (JAN) is a free consulting service that provides information about job accommodations, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the employability of people with disabilities.

Office of Disability Employment Policy

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<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep>

The Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) is an agency within the U.S. Department of Labor. ODEP provides national leadership to increase employment opportunities for adults and youth with disabilities while striving to eliminate barriers to employment.

American Occupational Therapy Association

6116 Executive Boulevard, Suite 200
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The American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) is the national professional association established in 1917 to represent the interests and concerns of occupational therapy practitioners and students of occupational therapy and to improve the quality of occupational therapy services.

American Physical Therapy Association

<http://www.moveforwardpt.com/Default.aspx>

MoveForwardPT.com is the official consumer information website of the American Physical Therapy Association.

American Pregnancy Association

425 Greenway Drive
Suite 440
Irving, TX 75038
Toll Free: (800) 672-2296
info@americanpregnancy.org
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The American Pregnancy Association is a national health organization committed to promoting reproductive and pregnancy wellness through education, support, advocacy, and community awareness.

American Psychiatric Association

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apa@psych.org
<https://www.psychiatry.org/>

The American Psychiatric Association is an organization of psychiatrists working together to ensure humane care and effective treatment for all persons with mental illness, including substance use disorders. It is the voice and conscience of modern

psychiatry. Its vision is a society that has available, accessible quality psychiatric diagnosis and treatment.

American Psychological Association

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Our mission is to advance the creation, communication and application of psychological knowledge to benefit society and improve people's lives.

Asperger/ Autism Network (AANE)

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The Asperger/Autism Network (AANE) works with individuals, families, and professionals to help people with Asperger Syndrome and similar autism spectrum profiles build meaningful, connected lives. We do this by providing information, education, community, support, and advocacy, all in an atmosphere of validation and respect.

Autism Society

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The Autism Society strives to empower individuals who experience Autism and their families to make informed decisions in the planning and delivery of individualized, evidence-based services and support.

Autism Speaks Inc

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Autism Speaks has grown into the world's leading autism science and advocacy organization, dedicated to funding research into the causes, prevention, treatments and a cure for autism; increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders; and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families. We are proud of what we've been able to accomplish and look forward to continued successes in the years ahead.

Autistic Self Advocacy Network

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<http://autisticadvocacy.org/>

The Autistic Self Advocacy Network seeks to advance the principles of the disability rights movement with regard to autism. ASAN believes that the goal of autism advocacy should be a world in which Autistic people enjoy the same access, rights, and

opportunities as all other citizens. We work to empower Autistic people across the world to take control of our own lives and the future of our common community, and seek to organize the Autistic community to ensure our voices are heard in the national conversation about us. Nothing About Us, Without Us!

Brain & Behavior Research Foundation

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<https://www.bbrfoundation.org>

The Brain & Behavior Research Foundation is committed to alleviating the suffering caused by mental illness by awarding grants that will lead to advances and breakthroughs in scientific research.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

1600 Clifton Rd
Atlanta, GA 30333
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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are dedicated to protecting the health and safety of people - at home and abroad, providing credible information to enhance health decisions, and promoting health through strong partnerships.

Charlie Foundation for Ketogenic Therapies

515 Ocean Ave.
#602N
Santa Monica, CA 90402
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The Charlie Foundation for Ketogenic Therapies was founded in 1994 to provide information about diet therapies for people with epilepsy, other neurological disorders and tumorous cancers.

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The mission of the NICHD is to ensure that every person is born healthy and wanted, that women suffer no harmful effects from reproductive processes, and that all children have the chance to achieve their full potential for healthy and productive lives, free from disease or disability, and to ensure the health, productivity, independence, and well-being of all people through optimal rehabilitation.

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Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center (GARD)

P.O. Box 8126

Gaithersburg, MD 20898-8126

Toll Free: (888) 205-2311

Fax: (301) 251-4911

<https://rarediseases.info.nih.gov/>

The Genetic and Rare Diseases (GARD) Information Center is a program of the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS) and funded by two parts of the National Institutes of Health (NIH): NCATS and the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI). GARD provides the public with access to current, reliable, and easy to understand information about rare or genetic diseases in English or Spanish.

Hyperacusis Network

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earhelp@yahoo.com

<http://www.hyperacusis.net/>

Support group established to care for individuals with collapsed tolerance to sound (hyperacusis). Educate the medical community and families about this rare auditory disorder by sharing ways to cope, providing advice on how to secure disability assistance, and reporting on current research and treatment options.

International OCD Foundation Inc.

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The International OCD Foundation is a donor-supported nonprofit organization. Founded in 1986 by a small group of individuals with OCD, the Foundation has grown into an international membership-based organization serving a broad community of individuals with OCD and related disorders, their family members and loved ones, and

mental health professionals and researchers around the world. We have affiliates in 25 states and territories in the US, in addition to global partnerships with other OCD organizations and mental health non-profits around the world.

Jewish Association for Developmental Disabilities (J-ADD)

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Through Residential, Vocational, and Respite services J-ADD has been on the front lines of improving the lives of those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

March of Dimes Foundation

1275 Mamaroneck Avenue
White Plains , NY 10605
<http://www.marchofdimes.org/>

The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality.

Mayo Clinic

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The Mayo Clinic's mission to inspire hope and contribute to health and well-being by providing the best care to every patient through integrated clinical practice, education and research.

MedlinePlus

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MedlinePlus is the National Institutes of Health's Web site for patients and their families and friends. Produced by the National Library of Medicine, the world's largest medical library, it brings you information about diseases, conditions, and wellness issues in language you can understand. MedlinePlus offers reliable, up-to-date health information, anytime, anywhere, for free.

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Mental Health America – founded in 1909 – is the nation's leading community-based nonprofit dedicated to addressing the needs of those living with mental illness and to promoting the overall mental health of all Americans. Their work is driven by their commitment to promote mental health as a critical part of overall wellness, including prevention services for all, early identification and intervention for those at risk, and integrated care and treatment for those who need it, with recovery as the goal.

National Alliance on Mental Illness

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The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI advocates for access to services, treatment, supports and research and is steadfast in its commitment to raise awareness and build a community for hope for all those in need.

National Center for Biotechnology Information

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The National Center for Biotechnology Information advances science and health by providing access to biomedical and genomic information.

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NHGRI's mission has expanded to encompass a broad range of studies aimed at understanding the structure and function of the human genome and its role in health and disease. To that end NHGRI supports the development of resources and technology that will accelerate genome research and its application to human health. A critical part of the NHGRI mission continues to be the study of the ethical, legal and social implications (ELSI) of genome research. NHGRI also supports the training of investigators and the dissemination of genome information to the public and to health professionals.

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NIMH offers a variety of publications and other educational resources to help people with mental disorders, the general public, mental health and health care practitioners, and researchers gain a better understanding of mental illnesses and the research programs of the NIMH. All publications and educational materials are written by science writers, in collaboration with NIMH scientists and outside reviewers.

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

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The NINDS, an agency of the U.S. Federal Government and a component of the National Institutes of Health and the U.S. Public Health Service, is a lead agency for the congressionally designated Decade of the Brain, and the leading supporter of biomedical research on disorders of the brain and nervous system.

National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

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<http://www.nidcd.nih.gov/Pages/default.aspx>

National Resource center for health information about hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language for health professionals, patients, industry, and the public.

OASIS @ MAAP

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The Online Asperger Syndrome Information and Support (OASIS) center has joined with MAAP Services for Autism and Asperger Syndrome to create a single resource for families, individuals, and medical professionals who deal with the challenges of Asperger Syndrome, Autism, and Pervasive Developmental Disorder/ Not Otherwise Specified (PDD/NOS).

Pediatric Brain Foundation

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Pediatric Brain Foundation's Mission is Three-fold:

- Expedite scientific research to find treatments and cures for the more than 14 million children living with some form of neurological disorder
- Provide families and health care professionals with up-to-date information and resources on the latest discoveries in pediatric neurology
- Educate the public and public officials on the critical importance of funding pediatric neurological research

Remedy's Health Communities

<http://www.healthcommunities.com>

Remedy Health Media is America's fastest growing health information and technology company. We are a leading provider of clinical resources and wellness tools that help millions of patients and caregivers live healthier, more fulfilled lives.

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The Arc is the largest national community-based organization advocating for and serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. We encompass all ages and more than 100 different diagnoses including autism, Down syndrome, Fragile X syndrome, and various other developmental disabilities.

The Enviromental Illness Resource

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The Environmental Illness Resource seeks to provide those with environmental illnesses with information of the highest quality in the hope that this will lead to improved quality of life and perhaps even recovery of good health. In addition, to provide a free and open online community in which members may exchange information between themselves and support each other in their healing journeys.

Tourette Syndrome "Plus"

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West Virginia University Center for Excellence in Disabilities

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Providing leadership in the development of services and supports for persons with disabilities

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