

Autism - Introduction

MedlinePlus Health topics - Autism

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<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/autism.html>

Autism - KidsHealth

Created by The Nemours Foundation's Center for Children's Health Media in the U.S., KidsHealth is a great website for explaining health issues to kids, teens and parents. The material is provided in audience appropriate language, using real life examples to explain medical conditions, emotional and health lifestyle issues kids and their families can face. If you are a parent trying to explain these issues to siblings, a teacher trying to find a good way to explain autism to the rest of your class, or a brother or sister trying to understand about what autism means, these pages are for you.

Autism - Kids

http://kidshealth.org/kid/health_problems/brain/autism.html

Autism - Teens

http://www.kidshealth.org/teen/school_jobs/school/autism.html

Understanding Autism - Parents

From the Nemours Foundation, an excellent first article for parents who have a new diagnosis of autism in their family. This article covers such issues as diagnosis, understanding your child, early intervention, and controversial treatments.

<http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/medical/brain/autism.html>

What is autistic spectrum disorders (ASD)?

This introduction was produced by the Western Region (South Shore, Tri-County, Annapolis Valley) of EIIS, the Early Identification and Intervention Services in Nova Scotia. It includes an introduction to the various diagnosis falling under the ASD 'umbrella', including Asperger's Syndrome, Rett's Syndrome, Pervasive Developmental Disorders and Childhood Disintegrative Disorder.

<http://eiiswest.nsnet.org/asd.html>

MedlinePlus Health topics - Aspergers Syndrome

Similar in layout to the MedlinePlus Autism page, quality information about Asperger's Syndrome. A great place to start for those interested in learning about this condition. U.S. based.

<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/aspergerssyndrome.html>

Asperger Syndrome from KidsHealth

Aimed at parents, this page gives an overview of Asperger Syndrome is easy to understand language.

<http://www.kidshealth.org/parent/medical/brain/asperger.html>