

HELPFUL AUTISM LINKS/RESOURCES FOR QUICK REFERENCE

Contact the N.I.A. Autism Loan Library for materials related to many of these items which may be checked out.

www.thenia.org

GENERAL RESOURCES

http://books.nap.edu/openbook.php?record_id=10017&page=R1

Educating Children with Autism – National Research Council’s publication of “best practice” – may be purchased as a book or accessed from this website.

<https://www.nea.org/assets/img/pubToday/0802/autismpuzzle.pdf>

The Puzzle of Autism (N.E.A., A.S.A., A.S.H.A., N.A.S.P.)

Autism information guide: To help classroom teachers and related service providers work together to support academic achievement/social competence of students with autism.

Section 1: The Puzzle of Autism: What Educators Need to Know

Section 2: Features and Strategies for Intervention

Section 3: Communication

Section 4: Sensory Integration and Regulation

Section 5: Socialization/Social Skills

Section 6: Behavioral Issues

Section 7: Restricted Interest

Section 8: Future Directions/Research Areas

Section 9: Appendix

Section 10: Reference

<http://www.autism-resources.com/>

Autism Resources – huge variety of autism resources

<http://www.autismcommunityconnection.com/>

Autism Community Connection – 2nd largest YAHOO autism group in IL.

Resources, activities, family support, visual resource guide, checklists

<http://www.asw4autism.org/>

Autism Society of Wisconsin – Comprehensive document, including information in Spanish.

www.asdatoz.com

Barbara Doyle's website – "Information on Autism" – variety of handouts and information about her book: Autism Spectrum Disorders from A to Z by Doyle and Iland (available in English and Spanish).

<http://www.paulakluth.com/>

Paula Kluth's site dedicated to promoting inclusive schooling. Includes many easy to read/print articles by Kluth on a variety of topics.

www.firstsigns.org

First Signs – site dedicated to the early identification/intervention of children with developmental delays and disorders. Includes many helpful resources including the "Autism A.L.A.R.M." handout/screening guidelines.

www.polyxo.com

Resources for parents and professionals – encompasses a variety of instructional techniques/philosophies, data forms to print

SITES OF INTEREST ON SPECIFIC A.S.D. – RELATED TOPICS

Asperger's Syndrome

www.tonyattwood.com.au

Tony Attwood, author of books on this topic – information on friendships, emotions, homework and more

www.udel.edu/bkirby/asperger

O.A.S.I.S. – Online Asperger Syndrome Information and Support

Bullying/Teasing

www.thegraycenter.org

Popular resources on this topic by Carol Gray

www.pacerkidsagainstbullying.org

Resources from Minnesota's Pacer Center

www.medicalhomeportal.org/link/2029

Jocelyn Taylor, Education Specialist (Autism), Utah State Office of Education – Comprehensive resource on bullying

Communication

<http://teacch.com/communication-approaches-2>

Division TEACCH – Information on communication approaches

www.outersound.com/cafiere/articles/10-07-1.htm

Joanne Cafiero – Article which overviews communication strategies including augmentative/alternative communication (A.A.C.)

www.pecs.com

Picture Exchange Communication System (P.E.C.S.) – Bondy and Frost

Family Support

www.faaas.org

Families of Adults Affected by Asperger’s Syndrome – General resources on this topic with the focus on adults

Safety

www.autismriskmanagement.com

Dennis Debbaudt’s site with information about safety/autism for law enforcement, first responders, parents, educators and caregivers

www.iltech.org

“Safety and Autism Spectrum Disorder – Empowering Children and Adults with Devices and Technology” DVD (Barbara Doyle)

Click on this link www.thenia.org/videos to preview the DVD which may be purchased from the Illinois Assistive Technology Program (I.A.T.P.) in Springfield, IL or checked out through N.I.A.’s Autism or Assistive Technology Loan Libraries.

Sensory

www.sensory-processing-disorder.com

Extensive resource for sensory processing disorder

<http://spdfoundation.net/>

Overview of sensory processing disorder – definitions, treatment and more

www.theraproducts.com/index.php?mainpage=index&cPath=307760

Information about “sensory stories”

Social Skills

www.thegraycenter.org

The Gray Center (Michigan) – Information on “Social Stories” by Carol Gray

Structured Teaching

www.teacch.com

Treatment and Education of Autistic and related Communication-handicapped Children

Visual Supports

<http://trainland.tripod.com>

Go to “Favorite Links” Scroll down to select “PECS’s pictures”. Then scroll ½ way down the page to the “PECS Pictures Pages”. Many other resources too!

www.do2learn.com

Do2Learn – picture cards, task sequences, activities games and more!

www.google.com

Google Images – Click on the “images” tab. Type in the picture you are searching for. Caution: A variety of images will come up, so this is best for adult use only.

ORGANIZATIONS/AGENCIES

www.autismillinois.org

Autism Society of Illinois: Services, Referral Listing (“Parents Resources”/resources)

www.autism-society.org

Autism Society of America: Resources including free downloads, “About Autism” resources, “Autism 101” online course (free)

www.littlefriendsinc.com

Little Friends, Naperville, IL – Ongoing workshop opportunities on a variety of topics. Go to “Little Friends Center for Autism” tab and then “Calendar”.

www.bi-county.org

Bi-County Special Education’s website including their Autism Handbook.

www.asha.org

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association position statements on autism

www.asw4autism.org

Autism Society of Wisconsin – includes Spanish information

www.autismspeaks.org

Autism Speaks – treatment options, how to cope, research, family stories (“In Their Own Words”)

<http://www.asw4autism.org/>

LINKS – Main index from the Autism Society of WI

www.il-rk.easterseals.com

Easter Seals of Rockford/Children’s Development Center – Resources for parents, including Sib Shops

BOOKS AND MATERIALS

www.thenia.org/downloads/TheNIAAutismResources.pdf

The N.I.A. Lending Library – hundreds of books, tapes, manuals, DVDs and other materials to loan at no charge for a two week period of time. Housed out of our Rockford (State Street) office, materials will be delivered to you and then returned via interschool/district methods. Families are welcome to borrow materials.

www.asperger.net

Autism Asperger Publishing Company

www.autismshop.com

www.autismbooks.com

Autism resource network

www.futurehorizons-autism.com

Future horizons. Also check for workshops

QUICK REFERENCE SHEETS

By the N.I.A. Regional Training and Technical Assistance Team

Strategies and Interventions – General

Introduce Strategies *EARLY* for Children on the Autism Spectrum

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/IntroduceStrategiesEarlyforChildrenontheAutismSpectrum.pdf>

Visual Supports

Benefits of Using a Visual Schedule/Other Visual Supports

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/BenefitsofUsingaVisualSchedule.pdf>

Create Your Own Make-n-Take Station!

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/CreateYourOwn.pdf>

Do You Need Icons for Visual Supports?

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/IconsForVisualSupports.pdf>

How Does a Match Schedule Work?

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/MatchSchedule.pdf>

Make-n-Take 101

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/Make-n-Take101.pdf>

Make Your Very Own Make-n-Take Station!

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/MakeYourOwnMake-n-TakeStation.pdf>

Visual Support Examples

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/VisualSupportExamples.pdf>

Sensory Processing/Regulation

Proprioceptive System

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/ProprioceptiveSystem.pdf>

Tactile System

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/TactileSystem.pdf>

Vestibular System

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/VestibularSystem.pdf>

Communication

Picture Exchange Boxes

<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/PictureExchangeBoxes.pdf>

Work Systems

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<http://www.thenia.org/downloads/WorkSystems.pdf>

LOCAL WORKSHOPS/ONLINE COURSES

www.autism-society.org

Autism Society of America – “Autism 101” online course. No charge

www.littlefriendsinc.com

Little Friends, Naperville – Private agency which provides workshops for siblings, toileting and much more. Go to “Calendar”. Diagnostic evaluations and a variety of services

**Go to WEB CONNECTIONS on the N.I.A. website for additional
websites/resources
www.thenia.org**