

2020 INDIANA AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Provide your input about the quality, access and knowledge about autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and supporting services and resources in your community



See YOUR IMPACT

Indiana Interagency Autism Coordinating Council
INdianaNetwork.org

Professional Learning Communities

INdianaNetwork.org/get-connected/plc/

Local Community Cadres

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WHAT IS THE INDIANA AUTISM NEEDS ASSESSMENT?

The Needs Assessment is used to inform the activities of the Indiana Interagency Coordinating Council (IIACC) and the content of the Indiana Comprehensive State Plan for Individuals with ASD. The State uses the Plan to direct efforts and resources in addressing Indiana's most pressing ASD needs. The State Plan currently focuses on these goals:

- ✦ Family and Professional Partnerships
- ✦ Access to Community-Based Services
- ✦ Early Screening and Identification
- ✦ Transition to Adulthood
- ✦ Insurance (including Autism Mandates)
- ✦ Justice System & Public Safety
- ✦ Culturally Responsive Implementation



tinyurl.com/CompPlan19

WHY SHOULD I TAKE THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT?

One in 70 in Indiana are diagnosed with ASD, and over 16,000 Indiana students receive special education services. Only 58% of young people with ASD have a transition plan nationwide. Similarly, only 58% of young people with ASD are employed after high school, mainly part-time and for low wages.

By completing the needs assessment survey, you provide input about the status of ASD and the services and supports in your community. Your local perspective is valuable in the State's evaluation of ASD challenges and gaps in services and supports and is used in determining state and local efforts needed to expand the range of services and supports for individuals with ASD.

Are responses anonymous?

Yes. Only aggregated responses from the survey are reported to show the status of ASD by county, region and statewide.

HOW DO I TAKE THE SURVEY?

We recommend you complete the survey on a yearly basis. The survey takes approximately 10-15 minutes to complete and is available online in **English** and **Spanish**:

tinyurl.com/NAsurvey2020

For alternative ways to fill out the survey, contact HANDS in Autism® to request a printed copy with a return envelope or schedule a face-to-face or telephone interview.

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Who should take the Needs Assessment?

Any individual or groups within the community who are impacted by ASD.

I WANT TO HELP!

Thank you! To help us reach a diverse population across the state, you can:



Individuals:

Take the survey, then share this flyer or the survey link:

tinyurl.com/NAsurvey2020



Groups:

Host a needs assessment focus group



Professionals:

Disseminate the survey across your networks and post the link on your website.