

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in York Region

What is Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)?

ASD is a neurological disorder. Symptoms of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) vary from one person to the next, but all include difficulties with social interactions, communication and behaviour. Many people diagnosed with an ASD also experience sensory differences and anxiety.

How many people in York Region have an ASD?



2911 CHILDREN
age 0-14 years

13380 YOUTH
age 15-24 years

8450 ADULTS
age 25-64 years

**based on population Census 2006
and CDC prevalence rate 2014*

ASD Access Pathway—Physician Referral Guide

GOAL: To provide an easy way to determine the most appropriate and efficient access point for callers enquiring about ASD services and supports.

Determine service direction through the following questions:

How old is your patient?

Has your patient had an assessment leading to a formal diagnosis of ASD?

What service providers have you accessed or connected with to date?

Private service requests contact:

211 Social Services Directory

Tele: 211

www.211ontario.ca

Age and Service Connection

0 - 6 years

6 - 18 years

18 + years

Early Intervention Services
Tele: 1.888.703.KIDS
Ext. 2
Fax: 905.762.2099

NO DIAGNOSIS:
Children's Treatment Network
Simcoe/York
Tele: 1.866.377.0286
Fax: 705.792.2775

DIAGNOSED:
Kerry's Place Autism Services
Tele: 905.713.6808
Ext. 350
Fax: 905.751.0407

Developmental Services Ontario
Central East
Tele: 1.855.277.2121
Fax: 905.952.2077

The York ASD Partnership—What is it?

The grassroots collaboration of York Region community service providers, educators, health professionals and parents dedicated to improving the service system for people with an ASD and their families.

The York ASD Partnership connects you to people who understand Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) and streamlines access to coordinated supports and services in York Region.

Our Goals:

1. **Coordinated Access:** Any call to an agency involved in the York ASD Partnership will lead people with an ASD and their families to the appropriate resource and action.
2. **Knowledge and Awareness:** Increase knowledge and raise awareness about ASD among physicians, service providers, parents and the general public.
3. **Continuum of Coordinated Services for Children and Adults with ASD:** Coordinate individualized plans of care, including more frequent use of electronic Single Plans of Care (SPOC's).
4. **Infrastructure:** Formalized partnerships, strengthen collaborative capacity and increase transparency and accountability across the system of support.



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Our Plan:

The York ASD Partnership developed a strategic plan with community input in 2009: Improving the System of Support for Children, Youth and Adults with an ASD and their families in York Region.

Our Future:

Children, youth and adults with an ASD in York Region living to their full potential at home, at school, at play and at work.

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