What Do We Know: Autism Screening, Diagnosis, & Supporting Young Children & Families

The following resources may include both free and fee-based resources and inclusion in this list does not constitute endorsement by DoD or USDA.

**Articles:**

**Resources Specific to Military Families:**
American Military Families Autism Support Community – Facebook group
https://www.facebook.com/groups/188336538576729/

Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)
https://www.militaryonesource.mil/family-relationships/special-needs/exceptional-family-member/the-exceptional-family-member-program-for-families-with-special-needs

Military Autism Network – homepage
http://militaryautism.net/

Military Autism Network – local chapters
http://militaryautism.net/groups/

Military Special Needs Network – Facebook page
https://www.facebook.com/militaryspecialneedsnetwork/

Operation Autism
https://operationautism.org

Organization for Autism Research – Facebook page
https://www.facebook.com/OrganizationforAutismResearch/

Tricare – autism coverage

Tricare – Autism Care Demonstration (ACD)
https://www.tricare.mil/Plans/SpecialPrograms/ACD

**Screening and Assessment:**
Ages and Stages Questionnaires (ASQ)
https://agesandstages.com/

Modified Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (MCHAT)
https://m-chat.org/
Screening Tool for Autism in Toddlers and Young Children (STAT)  
http://stat.vueinnovations.com/about

Autism Diagnostic Interview – Revised (ADI-R)  

Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS)  

Childhood Autism Rating Scale (CARS)  

Videos:  
Danny’s Story  
https://youtu.be/OYOcCxtJ-qk

Randy’s Story  
https://youtu.be/FrPi4-7W88U

Websites:  
ASD Toddler Initiative – The National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders  
https://asdtoddler.fpg.unc.edu/

Autism Navigator  
https://autismnavigator.com

Autism Speaks - homepage  
https://www.autismspeaks.org

Autism Speaks – autism causes  
https://www.autismspeaks.org/what-causes-autism

Division for Early Childhood – Recommended Practices  
http://www.dec-spied.org/dec-recommended-practices

Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA) – autism homepage  
http://ectacenter.org/topics/autism/autism.asp

Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA) – early identification of ASD  
http://ectacenter.org/topics/autism/eidautism.asp

Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA) – family centered practices checklist  

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development  
https://www.nichd.nih.gov/health/topics/autism/conditioninfo/causes

Organization for Autism Research (OAR)  
https://researchautism.org

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – autism homepage  
https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – milestone tracker  
https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – risk factors  
https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism/research.html#RiskFactors

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – vaccines do not cause autism  
https://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/concerns/autism.html

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