# **AUTISM: Keys To Early Identification**

A Road Map created by the Lewis County Autism Coalition

### Do You Know?

### **Questions to Ask:**

## Find The Answers!

Typical Ages & Stages Of Development



What Is Typical Development For My Child's Age?



- At your child's healthcare provider
- At your childcare center
- At early childhood education programs

If Your Child is Reaching the Developmental Milestones



Should I Be Concerned about My Child's Development?



- At a well child exam
- Your child's teacher
- Local parenting class
- Local school district
- Local special service agency

If Your Child Is Showing Signs Of Autism



Where can I go to get my child screened?



By requesting a screening from:

- Your child's healthcare provider
- Local special service agency

## **Autism: Finding Lewis County Answers**

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## **Signs of Autism**

## **Lewis County Resources**

#### **State & National Resources**

- Not returning your smile or back & forth responses
- Not liking to cuddle
- Lack of eye contact
- Not responding to simple directions
- Not responding to name
- Seems distant
- Rocks/flaps hands
- Suddenly stops talking
- Not pointing or using gestures
- Not babbling by twelve months old
- Not using single words by sixteen months old
- Not using two word phrases by two years old

Your Child's Healthcare Provider

### **Screening Agencies:**

- Lewis County Special Education Co-op Phone: (360) 748-8844
- Centralia-Chehalis Student Support Phone: (360) 807-7245

#### **Early Childhood Education Programs:**

INTOT

Phone: (360) 748-4359

ECEAP

Phone: (360) 736-9391

Growing Together
 Phone: (360) 807-7245

• Lewis County Head Start Phone: (360) 736-1696

 Pope's Kids Place Phone(360) 736-9147

#### **Family Support:**

Parent to Parent Phone: (360) 736-9558

- Mary Bridge Developmental Center Tacoma (253) 403-1400
- •Tacoma UW Autism Center (253) 692-4721
- Seattle Children's Autism Center (206) 987-8081
- UW Child Development Clinic Seattle (206) 598-4317
- Legacy Children's Hospital –
  Portland (503) 413-2200

#### **Internet Resources:**

Child Development

http://www.parenthelp123.org/infants/chil d-development

- Autism Speaks: www.autismspeaks.org
- Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC):
- http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism