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## Facts about Autism:

In the United States, 3.5 million people live with an Autism Spectrum disorder

Prevalence has increased by 6-15 % each year from 2002 to 2010

Costs to provide services for Autism cost \$236 billion annually in the U.S. Life-long care costs can be decreased by 2/3 with early diagnosis and intervention.

## What is Autism? What is an Autism Spectrum Disorder?

- Autism is a biologically-based neurodevelopmental disorder
- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) is a broader term which describes interrelated conditions: Autism, Asperger's Syndrome, and Pervasive Developmental Disorders
- Children with ASD have difficulties with socialization, repetitive behaviors and communication.



## Signs and Symptoms of Autism:

- No big smile by six months old
- No babbling by 12 months
- No response to name being called
- No pointing, showing, reaching or waving by 12 months
- Inconsistent use of eye contact and facial expressions
- Behaviors such as rocking, spinning, head banging, squealing, repeating words/gestures

## Diagnosis:

- Diagnosis by a psychologist or psychiatrist through a comprehensive behavioral and developmental assessment



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