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# *AUTISM SERVICES*

**The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 1 in 54 children have been identified with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and more people than ever before are being diagnosed. At MORC Inc., we are committed to helping children with autism and their families with family centered services and cutting edge therapies that will help support them to reach their full potential.**

## **WHAT IS AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD)?**

Autism is a developmental brain disorder that typically affects development within the first 3 years of life. Symptoms are typically seen in the areas of communication, social interaction, behaviors, play or interests and can negatively impact a child's ability to function in daily life and form meaningful relationships. Children diagnosed with ASD typically fall within a wide ranging spectrum from mildly impaired to profoundly impaired.

## **WHAT IS APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS (ABA)?**

MORC's Autism Center features ABA therapy. ABA is considered an evidence-based "best practice" treatment by the U.S. Surgeon General and by the American Psychological Association. It is based on the science of learning and behavior.



Implemented by technicians who are trained and monitored by Board Certified Behavior Analysts, it is used to increase language and communication skills, improve attention, focus, social skills, daily living skills and academics. It can also be used to decrease problem behaviors.

## WHAT OTHER TYPES OF SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

- Social skills training that utilizes stories, structured routines, modeling, visual cues, reinforcement, prompts and task analysis to help children acquire skills.
- Family training on techniques utilized.

- A pediatric psychiatric consultant is available to review cases where multiple medications are being utilized. This has resulted in better management of psychiatric issues with the least restrictive amount of medication.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR AUTISM SERVICES?

Children aged 2 to 21 with a diagnosis of Autism are eligible for services. MORC's Autism Center accepts Medicaid, Blue Cross Blue Shield and most private insurances. There is currently no waiting list. Call us to verify insurance benefits.

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