

Autistic Spectrum Disorders:

ASD

Guidelines for Effective Interventions

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I. Project Background

2003 Department of Developmental Services

***ASD: Best Practice Guidelines for
Screening, Diagnosis and Assessment***

2001 National Research Council

Educating Children w/ Autism

II. Project Overview

Project Mission

Maximize potential of persons with ASD by making available state-of-the-art information on evidence-based interventions for persons with ASD, their families & professionals caring for these persons in California

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Project Objectives

- **Family's and child's needs are met**
- **Service providers adopt effective intervention practices**
- **Timely and effective intervention**

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Core Outcomes

- **Understand & value evidence-based interventions**
- **Identify & select interventions based on each child's unique needs.**
- **Policymakers make decisions based on current state of evidence-based knowledge regarding ASD.**

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Target Dates & Milestones:

Projected Dates:

Methodological Review – *Jan/March '07*

Project Completion -- *Summer '07*

Highlights:

Input Sessions – Content Outline #11

Formation of the Advisory Committee

III. Project Scope

**Children and young adults with Autistic
Spectrum Disorders (Birth – 22 years)**

**Inclusive of a range of Interventions
typically/commonly used in California**

IV. Project Organization

- **Department of Developmental Services**
- **California Department of Education**
- **Oversight Committee**
- **Advisory Committee**
- **CIHS at Sonoma State University**

IV. Project Organization

Advisory Committee

- **Structure**
- **Roles & Responsibilities**

V. Overarching Themes

“Opportunities & Challenges”

- **Inter-disciplinary & Participatory Process**
- **Decision Making Process – *the 4 Cs***

IV. Project Methodology

- **Methodological Approach**
 - **Behavioral/Educational**
 - **Medical / Bio-behavioral**

- **Rating of Effectiveness**

Potential Effects of Project

- **Increased understanding about evidence-based & effective interventions**
- **Integrated process of assessment, intervention, and evaluation**

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Thank you

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