# #CelebrateDifferences WHAT IS AUTISM?

Autism is a complex, lifelong developmental disability that typically appears during early childhood and can impact a person's...

RELATIONSHIPS

### **SELF-REGULATION**

**COMMUNICATION** 

## **SOCIAL SKILLS**









While there is currently no known single cause of autism, early diagnosis helps a person receive the support and services that they need, which can lead to a quality life filled with opportunity.

With nearly 1 in 54 Americans affected by autism, it's likely you know someone who loves someone with autism.

Awareness promotes acceptance and change, get to know the basics about autism...

# **AUTISM AWARENESS SIGNS**

- Repetitive behaviors, movements, or phrases
- Lack of response to normal stimuli (i.e. his/her name, visual cues)
- · Atypical verbal communication or non-speaking
- Difficulty understanding or expressing feelings
- Avoiding eye contact

# **AWARENESS TO ACCEPTANCE**

The Autism Society is dedicated to improving the quality of life for every person affected by autism, and we create opportunities by building a more inclusive world.

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For support, or to learn more call 1-800-3-Autism or email info@autism-society.org.

