

# AUTISM: Keys To Early Identification

*A Road Map created by the Lewis County Autism Coalition*

## Do You Know?

Typical Ages & Stages Of Development

If Your Child is Reaching the Developmental Milestones

If Your Child Is Showing Signs Of Autism

## Questions to Ask:

What Is Typical Development For My Child's Age?

Should I Be Concerned about My Child's Development?

Where can I go to get my child screened?

## Find The Answers!

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

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

- 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

- 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

## Lewis County Resources

- **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

## State & National Resources

- **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/child-development>
- **Autism Speaks:**  
[www.autismspeaks.org](http://www.autismspeaks.org)
- **Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC):**
  - <http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/autism>

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