

# Why Establish Autism Services?

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Children are currently diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

**↑ 30%**

Increase in diagnoses from 2008 - 2010

A diagnosis means that a child can have difficulty:



Responding to their name



Making eye contact



Speaking by a developmentally appropriate age



Showing physical affection



Being around people

When signs of ASD are recognized early, a child's symptoms are better managed

Autism can be diagnosed at

**2 years old**

Average age for a diagnosis

**4 years old**

OhioGuidestone seeks to diagnose children as early as possible, providing interventions

## As Soon As Possible