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Who We Are

The **Maine Autism Institute for Education and Research (MAIER)** serves as a local clearinghouse for information on research, resources, and services to address the complexity of autism spectrum disorder (ASD). The Institute offers training, technical assistance, and consultation to build professional and program capacity to foster individual learning and growth. For families seeking assistance, the Institute offers services, resources and information; support and guidance; and tools to contribute to awareness regarding their children with ASD.



About ASD

In 2000, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimated that 1 in 1000 children were diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD). By 2014, those numbers had increased to 1 in 68. Autism may impact an individual's communication skills, behaviors, and interactions with others.

What We Offer

- **Professional Development** - Opportunities available throughout the state. Visit our website for more information and to register online.
- **District-wide Training** - Increase your expertise in supportive programming with Maine Autism Leader Team Training.
- **Graduate Certificate in ASD** - A three-course sequence preparing experienced professionals to assume leadership roles in educational programs for students with autism.
- **Technical Assistance** - Provided to early intervention programs, childcare agencies, and school systems to improve outcomes for individuals with autism.
- **Resources and Information** - Contact us or visit our website.

Outreach

- **Maine Family Partnership** - Maine families supporting Maine families.
- **Early Start Denver Model** - Early intervention for Maine's youngest children with autism and their families, 12 months to 36 months.
- **Maine Autism Leader Teams** - Maine's network of professionals trained in the use of evidence-based practices.
- **Maine Autism Partners** - Statewide collaboration to support and enhance the lives of individuals affected by ASD.



Contact us to subscribe to our e-newsletter, *Pathways*.