

# World Autism Awareness Day Interagency Roundtable

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FIRESIDE CHAT- FEDERAL PANEL

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What challenges has your agency faced as a result of COVID-19 and its effect on those on the autism spectrum?

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# Federal Responses

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- Access to Preventative and Specialty Care
- Supplemental Funding (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act)
- Shift in Work Activities & Structure
- Maximum Telework Posture
- Innovative Shift for Resource Dissemination
- Enhance Public Health Approach & Response
- Education, Training, Consultation, & Technical Assistance
- Increase in Virtual Training, Presentations, & Webinars
- Increase in Social Media Presence
- Enhancing Websites



How can your agency assist with improving national dissemination of COVID-19 best practices to individuals and their families?

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# Federal Responses

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- Enhancing National Policy & Practices
- Focus on Social Determinants of Health
- Provide Innovative Approaches to Dissemination of Resources & Support
- Partnering with National Organizations, State, & Local Health & Education Departments
- Development of New Resources & Toolkits
- Marketing & Outreach through Social Media, Websites, & Listservs



What agency collaborations and resources are available to support those on the autism spectrum and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic?

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# Federal Responses

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- Federal Partnerships & Interagency Committees/Workgroups
- Partnerships with National Organizations, State, & Local Health & Education Departments
- Resources Webpages & Service Locator
- Training Curriculum & Toolkits
- Telebehavioral Health
- Patient-Friendly Materials & Factsheets
- Education, Training, Consultation, & Technical Assistance
- Employment & Workforce Development



# Question & Answer Session

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