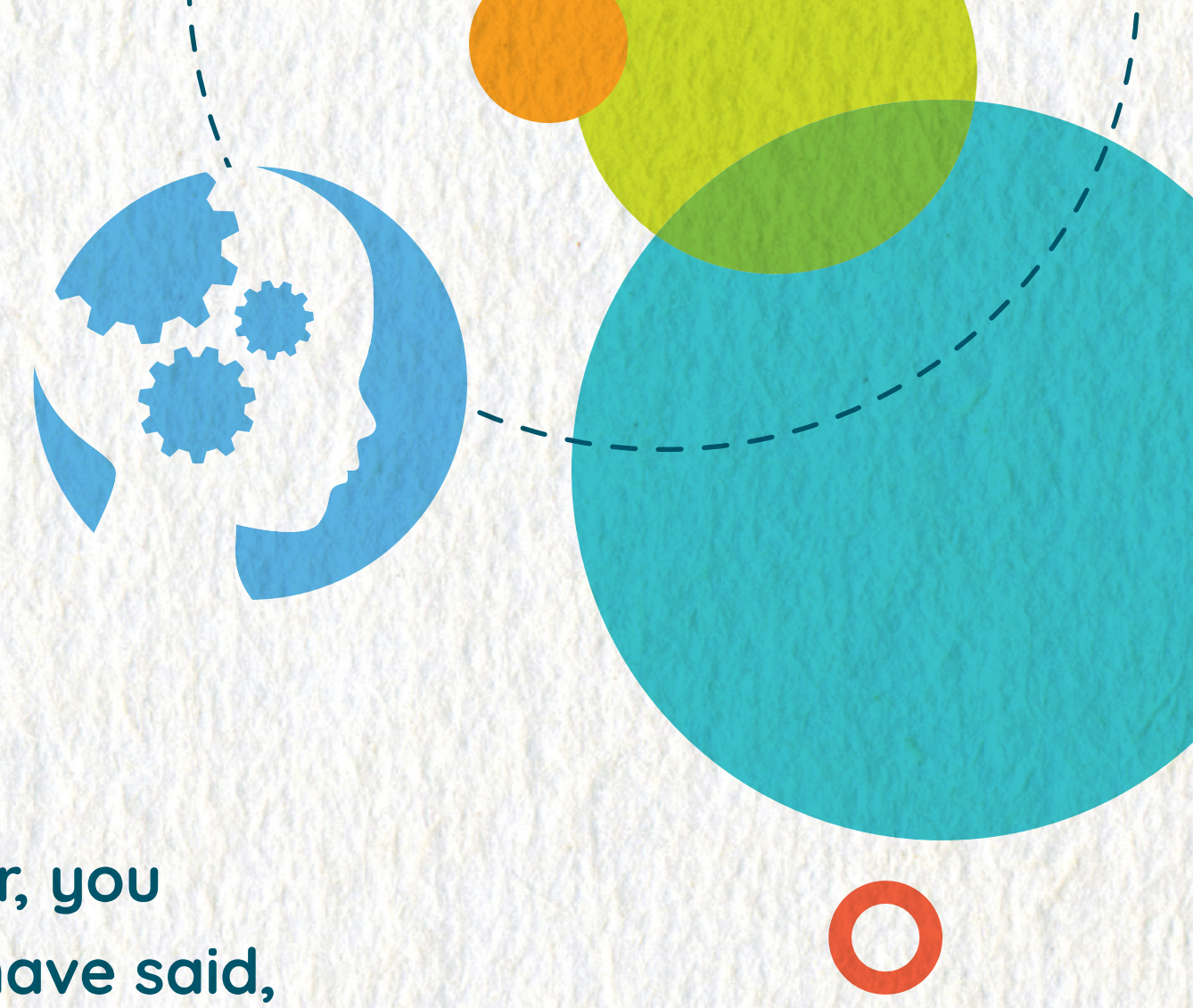


Is it Autism?

Learn the Signs



When you first observed your child displaying unexpected behavior, you might have chosen to adopt a wait-and-see approach. You might have said, “Kids often experience phases, and they’ll eventually outgrow it.” If these behaviors have continued, now you might be asking yourself, “Is this autism?”

Consider these signs of autism:

1 Social Communication Challenges:

Pay attention to how your child interacts with others. Difficulty with eye contact, limited gestures, and challenges in understanding or using spoken language can be early signs.

2 Repetitive Behaviors:

Watch for repetitive actions like hand-flapping, spinning objects, or an intense focus on specific interests.

3 Sensory Sensitivities:

Some children with autism may have heightened or diminished sensitivity to sensory stimuli, which can lead to aversions or fixations on certain textures, tastes, or sounds.

4 Delayed Milestones:

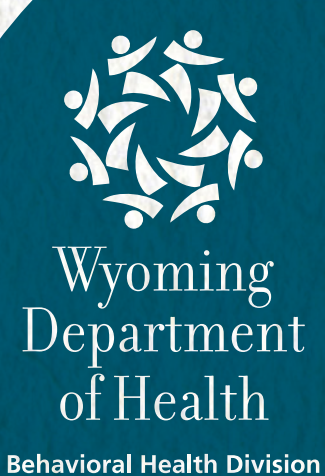
Keep an eye on developmental milestones like speaking, walking, and social interactions. Delays in these areas can be a cause for concern.

5 Social Isolation:

Some children with autism have difficulty making friends, engaging in imaginative play, or understanding social cues.



The best thing you can do for your child is to have them screened. Early intervention can make a big difference for children with autism! Locate the free screening center nearest you at screenforsuccess.org/regional-map.



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