



Research Studies/Surveys

Please find listed below a few ongoing local or statewide research studies/surveys related to Autism Spectrum Disorders.

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Dear Parent,

Please consider taking the time to complete this short survey (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5YQFBQX>) about your experiences navigating the process of obtaining an autism spectrum diagnosis for your child. By completing this survey, you will help the Virginia Commonwealth University Autism Center for excellence Screening, Diagnosis, and Evaluation Task force determine trends in diagnosis, and areas to recommend change.

If you have any questions, please contact me:

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**AUTISM BEHAVIOR STUDY
NOW ENROLLING CHILDREN
3-10 YEARS OLD**

A study conducted by Eastern Virginia Medical School and Children's Hospital of The King's
Daughters

Principal Investigator: John Harrington, MD

EVMS and CHKD are conducting a research study using a family-based therapy program to help reduce behavioral problems among 3 to 10-year-old children diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD). The purpose of the study is to learn whether or not this therapy can help reduce behavioral problems in children with ASD and improve their ability to interact with their family and peers.

Participants will be randomly assigned to a treatment or non-treatment group. If you are assigned to the treatment group you will receive 14 weekly therapy sessions, lasting approximately 60-90 minutes each, at no cost to you. Both the treatment and non-treatment group will:

- Participate in assessments of the parent-child interaction at three different time points
- Complete questionnaires about parenting and your child's development and behavior

At the conclusion of the study, you will receive a summary report and resource guide to help you with your child's development and behavior. Please help us learn more about this therapy which could improve the quality of life of children with ASD and behavioral disorders and their families. If you are interested in learning more about this research study, please call:

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This study has been approved by the EVMS IRB Approval #10-06-FB-0132

More Studies and Surveys will be posted soon!