### AUTISM AND 15 ME

A SPECTRUM OF POSSIBILITIES: LET'S CELEBRATE DIVERSITY

## THE WORLD IS MADE UP OF DIFFERENCE AND THAT IS WHAT MAKES IT AMAZING!

PEOPLE COME IN ALL DIFFERENT SHAPES AND SIZES

PEOPLE HAVE DIFFERENT
COLOURED EYES, DIFFERENT
COLOURED SKIN, AND DIFFERENT
COLOURED HAIR

SOME DIFFERENCES YOU CAN SEE
BUT SOME DIFFERENCES ARE
INVISIBLE...

#### JUST LIKE DIFFERENCES YOU CAN SEE, EVERYBODY'S BRAIN WORKS DIFFERENTLY

NOT BETTER.

NOT WORSE.

JUST DIFFERENT.

WHEN WE ARE IDENTIFIED AS AUTISTIC AFTER AN ASSESSMENT, THIS IS A WAY OF LETTING US AND OTHERS KNOW THAT WE HAVE AN AUTISTIC BRAIN TYPE.

BEING AUTISTIC DOES NOT MEAN THERE IS SOMETHING WRONG.

IT IS AN IDENTITY.

# AUTISTIC BRAIN TYPES CAN OFTEN EXPERIENCE THE WORLD DIFFERENTLY, USUALLY RELATING TO OUR SENSES AND THE WAY THAT WE COMMUNICATE.

THIS CAN SOMETIMES MAKE SOME THINGS
SEEM CONFUSING OR OVERWHELMING.
BUT IT ALSO CAN MEAN THAT WE ARE
PASSIONATE AND DETAIL-ORIENTATED!

EVERYONE SEES AND EXPERIENCES THE WORLD DIFFERENTLY. THERE IS NO RIGHT WAY OR WRONG WAY.

## OUR AUTISTIC BRAIN TYPES! NO TWO BRAINS ARE THE SAME!

IDENTIFYING AND UNDERSTANDING MY
BRAIN TYPE HELPS ME (AND OTHERS) TO
BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT I NEED, HOW I
LEARN, AND HOW I COMMUNICATE: SO
THAT I CAN THRIVE.

IT CAN HELP ME FEEL BETTER ACCEPTED

AND CONNECTED TO MYSELF AND MY

COMMUNITY

### AUTISM IS A DIFFERENCE IN BRAIN TYPE. NOT LESS, NOT BROKEN, NOT WRONG.

IDENTIFYING MYSELF AS AN AUTISTIC PERSON
HELPS OTHERS TO RECOGNISE THAT MY
AUTISTIC BRAIN IS A PERFECTLY WHOLE AND
NORMAL VERSION OF WHAT IT IS... AN
AUTISTIC BRAIN!

I MIGHT THINK, FEEL, AND SENSE THINGS DIFFERENTLY AND THAT IS OK!

EVERY PERSON IS DIFFERENT AND EVERY PERSON MATTERS.