

# ASD Evaluation, Therapy, School Resources & IEPs - Syllabus



## Course Description:

We are delighted you are here. IEP's, therapy and assessment directly represent what, when and how you child will receive the support they need. While we have a lot to cover here, do not get overwhelmed. Knowing what resources are available for you and your child is vital to your child's treatment. This course specifically is for adult learners to be informative, practical and easy to navigate.

## In this course, we will cover:

- Autism Diagnosis | Medical VS Educational | Special Education Decoded
- Evaluation (Screening Vs. Assessment)
- Therapies and Supports for Autistic Children: Parent Stories
- Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)
- Speech Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Music Therapy
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) - Part I
- Individualized Education Program (IEP) - Part II
- Frequently Asked Questions

## Required Texts & Materials:

All material is included within the online course(s).

## Support:

Available through email: [Support@NationalASDCenter.org](mailto:Support@NationalASDCenter.org)

## Course Navigation:

**My Course** – This is the course home page. This section includes a welcome message, the course syllabus and a short introduction video.

**Lessons** – This section is where you will find the course content. Start with the welcome lesson, then continue to lesson one, two and so on.

**Discussion** – This section allows you and your classmates to post and respond to post as it relates to the subject matter. You are encouraged (not required) to engage with other students. You will find many useful questions, comments and support in the course discussion post.

**Wiki** – This section list various resources and definitions.

**Tests** – Occasionally we will offer you the option to test what you have learned. As this course is not graded, you are not required to take the exams.

**Resources** – This section is designed for you to have access to valuable assessments, external links, support programs, financial aid and much, much more.

**Lesson Outline**

Topics	Activities
Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read welcome message</li> <li>• Watch: course introduction video.</li> <li>• Introduce yourself in the general classroom discussion board</li> </ul>
Autism Diagnosis   Medical VS Educational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: Autism Diagnosis   Medical VS Educational</li> <li>• Read video transcript</li> </ul>
Evaluation (Screening Vs. Assessment)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: IEP Goals Defined</li> <li>• Watch: Parent Participation in IEP Meetings Under the IDEA</li> <li>• 4 IEP Secrets Withheld From Parents</li> <li>• Read: ASD and the IEP Toolkit</li> </ul>
Introduction to Therapies and Supports for Autistic Children: Parents Perspective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: Therapies and Supports for Autistic Children: Parent Stories</li> </ul>
Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read: What is ABA</li> <li>• Watch: ABA Therapy: Based on the Principles of Learning</li> <li>• Read: Who Provided APA Services</li> <li>• Read: What is the Evidence that ABA Works?</li> <li>• Is ABA Covered by Insurance?</li> <li>• Read: Where Do I Find ABA Services?</li> </ul>
Speech Therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read: What are the Common Speech and Communication Problems Associated with ASD?</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Read: What Role Does Speech Therapy Play in the Treatment of ASD?</li> <li>• Read: What are the Benefits of Speech Therapy for ASD?</li> <li>• Watch: How Speech Language Pathologist Help</li> <li>• Read: When is the Best Time to Start Speech Therapy for Autism?</li> <li>• Read: Does Insurance Cover Speech Therapy?</li> <li>• Where do I Find a Speech Therapist?</li> </ul>
Occupational Therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: How Occupational Therapy Helps with Sensory Integration Issues</li> <li>• Read: 5 Ways Occupational Therapy Can Improve an Autistic Child's Quality of Life</li> </ul>
Music Therapy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: Music Therapy and Autism Connect</li> <li>• Read: How Music Can Make a Difference</li> <li>• Read: American Music Therapy Association Fact Sheet</li> <li>• Read: Musicology -Frequently Asked Questions</li> </ul>
Individualized Education Program (IEP) - Part I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: What is an Individualized Education Plan (IEP)?</li> <li>• Watch: IEP Goals Defined</li> <li>• Watch: 7 Steps of the IEP Process</li> <li>• Watch: 4 IEP Secrets Withheld from Parents</li> </ul>
Individualized Education Program (IEP) - Part II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Watch: 8 Parental Rights in the IEP Process</li> <li>• Read: Why You Hold the Cards</li> <li>• Watch: What is a Special Education Advocate?</li> </ul>
Frequently Asked Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review</li> </ul>