

State Plan to Address Autism Spectrum Disorders 2016

Objective	Recommendations	Strategies	Partners in Action	Status	Critical Issues Addressed
1.1	Secure state and federal funding, grants and other resources to ensure adequate service delivery.	1.1.1 Advocate and provide legislative testimony to support funding for services that support individuals with ASD.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee, ASD, DETR		Funding; Services
1.1		1.1.2 Provide letters of support to statewide agencies and non-profit organizations in their pursuit of additional funding opportunities	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee		Funding; Services
1.2	Expand access to health insurance benefits for ASD services.	1.2.1 Identify and engage organizations that utilize self-funded insurance plans to increase ASD coverage.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee		Funding
2.1	Promote and legislatively advocate for the adoption of policies and funding which deliver comprehensive services for young children to ensure optimal outcomes.	2.1.3 Compile and adopt service standards for children 0-6, living with ASD. Standards may cover issues such as screening & diagnosis, immediate access to care, evidence-based treatment, school-based services, family supports	CASD Early Childhood Subcommittee, ASD, Universities		Screening & Diagnosis; Services; Funding; Schools
2.2	Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which ensure effective education, supports and transition implementation for school-aged children	2.2.1 Compile and adopt service standards for children 7-21, living with ASD. Standards may cover issues listed on Page 29 of the strategic plan	CASD Youth and Transitions Subcommittees, ASD, DETR, Universities		Funding; Services; Schools; Screening & Diagnosis

2.3	Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which deliver self-directed, person-centered services for adults	2.3.2 Promote entrepreneurial enterprise and business creation opportunities for Nevadans with ASD to Governor's Office of Economic Development, local and state agencies, private for-profit and non-profit entities.	CASD Adults and Aging Subcommittee, Office of Economic Development		Systems
2.3		2.3.4 Compile and adopt service standards for adults over the age of 21, living with ASD. Standards may cover issues such as eligibility for services, treatment, higher education & employment assistance, housing options and supports, family supports	CASD Adults and Aging Subcommittee, ADSD, DETR, Housing Division, Universities		Services; Knowledge
2.4	Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which adequately meet the needs of individuals with ASD living in rural and frontier areas of the state	2.4.1 Research, identify, and advocate for alternative approaches to providing ASD services in rural communities	CASD Rural Populations Subcommittee		Services
3.2	Develop a recruitment and retention plan for a skilled and sufficient ASD workforce throughout the state	3.2.1 Coordinate with the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to conduct an assessment of the workforce supporting individuals with ASD to identify the current and projected needs.	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, CCSD, UNR, UNLV		Services; Knowledge; Workforce
3.3	Establish training options for primary and secondary ASD service providers	3.3.2 Compile content and advocate for resources necessary to implement the training approach.	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, ADSD, Universities		Services; Knowledge

3.4	Establish a Web-based directory/marketplace for ASD providers	3.4.2 Outreach to ASD providers for inclusion into the directory/marketplace	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, ADSD, Universities		Knowledge; Systems
4.1	Establish a statewide education and outreach campaign regarding ASD	4.1.2 Redevelop the 100-Day Toolkit to incorporate a 365-day timeframe, to support parents and individuals in Nevada who have been diagnosed with ASD.	CASD, DPBH, ADSD, collaboration with non-profits and parents		Knowledge; Systems