

Framework for Action

Goals and Objectives

The following goals and objectives were developed to address the most critical issues currently facing Nevadans living with ASD throughout the lifespan. This framework is intended to guide the actions of the Commission from January 2015 through December 2019.

Goal #1: Maximize public and private funding sources to support the full scope of services needed for all Nevadans with ASD.

- Objective 1.1: Secure state and federal funding, grants and other resources to ensure adequate service delivery.
- Objective 1.2: Expand access to health insurance benefits for ASD services.
- Objective 1.3: Expand Medicaid Coverage for ASD services throughout the lifespan.
- Objective 1.4: Establish a self-directed care option for individuals in Nevada.

Goal #2: Increase the system's capacity for diagnosis, treatment, services and supports for individuals with ASD across the lifespan.

- Objective 2.1: Promote and legislatively advocate for the adoption of policies and funding which deliver comprehensive services for young children to ensure optimal outcomes.
- Objective 2.2: Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which ensure effective education, supports, and transition implementation for school aged children.
- Objective 2.3: Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which deliver self-directed, person-centered services for adults.
- Objective 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.
- Objective 2.5: Expand and integrate data systems among all State departments and stakeholders to track diagnosis, treatment, services, and outcomes for individuals living with ASD to improve coordination of care, and to disseminate information.

Goal #3: Expand the number and quality of professionals providing services to individuals with ASD.

- Objective 3.1: Establish a sufficient pool of credentialed Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT).
- Objective 3.2: Develop a recruitment and retention plan for a skilled and sufficient ASD workforce throughout the state.
- Objective 3.3: Establish training options for primary and secondary ASD service providers.
- Objective 3.4: Collaborate with ADSD to support its Web-based directory / marketplace for ASD providers.

Goal #4: Promote a well-informed, empowered and supportive Nevada population around the issue of ASD.

- Objective 4.1: Establish a statewide education and outreach campaign regarding ASD.
- Objective 4.2: Develop a navigational network to support families in accessing information, services, and a peer network for support.

