



Moving knowledge, not people

ECHO Autism bridges the **care gap** between **autism specialists**, **community health care providers**, and **children with autism**



HOW IT WORKS

- Clinicians get specific **case guidance** on children at risk for or diagnosed with autism
- Convenient, **web-based** small-group format
- Learn and share **best practices** for managing medical and psychiatric conditions, connecting with community resources, and family/caregiver support

HOW IT HELPS

- Families get greater access to faster, easier care for their children with trusted local providers **close to home**
- Families and providers have **reduced costs** by reducing travel, creating more efficient visits and shorter wait for care
- Provides a **long-term solution** in communities by building local capacity for autism care

This activity is jointly provided by University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria and The Autism Collective.

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What is ECHO Autism Primary Care?

- A virtual learning network of medical providers
- Real-time case guidance with a multidisciplinary team of autism and behavioral health experts
- An innovative system that allows professionals to:
 - Increase confidence in identifying and treating autism symptoms
 - Expand knowledge about behavioral treatments

Regular, convenient access to autism experts:

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| • Pediatric Neurologist / Clinical Director | Sally Jo Winek, MD |
| • Neurodevelopmental Pediatrician | Siraj Siddiqi, MD |
| • Child Psychologist | Tiffany Abrego, PhD |
| • Autism Nurse Coordinator | Holly Swearingian, MSN, PCNS-BC |
| • Clinical Dietician | Sarah Deig, RDN, LDN, CLC |
| • Pediatric Autism Family Navigator: | Marybeth Arduini, BSW |
| • Transitional / Adult Autism Family Navigator | Mary Kelly, BFA |
| • Parent Expert | Bradley Davis, ChSNC® |

Upon completion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Conduct evidence-based practices for screening, diagnosis and treatment of autism
- Identify and treat common medical & psychiatric concerns in children with autism
- Implement strategies to conduct successful office visits for children with autism
- Care for patients in your own practice with the support of autism experts

How does it work?

- Meets twice monthly via Zoom
- Discuss complex cases in YOUR practice for real-time advice from experts

What do I need to get started?

- Internet access
- A front-facing camera or smartphone, tablet or computer/webcam
- Commitment to 90-minute learning sessions twice per month over the lunch hour

Who can participate?

- Pediatricians
- Rural Family Practice Physicians
- Midlevel Providers (physician assistants, nurse practitioners, etc.)

QUESTIONS?

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