



# ASD Related Acronyms

- AAC** - Assistive Augmentative Communication
- AAT** - Animal Assisted Therapy
- ABA** - Applied Behavioural Analysis (form of intervention)
- ADEC** - Autism Detection in Early Childhood (screening tool)
- ADHD** - Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- ADI-R** - Autistic Diagnostic Interview - Revised (diagnostic interview)
- ADOS** - Autistic Diagnostic Observation Schedule (diagnostic tool)
- AID** - Auditory Integration Disorder
- AIT** - Auditory Integration Training
- AS** - Aspergers Syndrome
- ASD** - Autism Spectrum Disorder
- CARS** - Childhood Autism Rating Scale (diagnostic tool)
- CDU** - Child Development Unit
- C/F** - Casein Free
- CHAT** - Checklist for Autism in Toddlers (screening tool)
- DECS** - Department of Education and Children's Services
- DIR** - Developmental Individual-Difference Relationship-Based Model (form of intervention).
- DSM-III/IV/V** - Diagnostic Statistical Manual (diagnostic tool)
- DSW** - Disability Support Worker
- DTT** - Discrete Trial Training (ABA method)
- DVD** - Developmental Verbal Dyspraxia
- EEG** - Electroencephalogram (brain scan)
- EFA** - Essential Fatty Acid
- EI** - Early Intervention
- FAHCSIA** - Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
- FC or F/C** - Facilitated Communication
- GF or G/F** - Gluten Free
- HCWA** - Helping Children with Autism (Federal funding package for children with ASD under the age of seven).
- HFA** - High Functioning Autism
- IBI** - Intensive Behavioural Intervention
- ID** - Intellectual Disability
- IEP** - Individualised Education Plan
- IPP** - Individual Program Plan
- ISP** - Individual Support Package
- LFA** - Low Functioning Autism
- MLD** - Moderate Learning Difficulty
- NEP** - Negotiated Education Plan
- NT** - Neurotypical (refers to individuals without ASD)
- OCD** - Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
- OT** - Occupational Therapist
- PDD** - Pervasive Developmental Disorder
- PDD-NOS** - Pervasive Developmental Disorder Not Otherwise Specified
- PECS** - Picture Exchange Communication System
- PEP** - Psycho-educational Profile
- PTSD** - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- RDI** - Relationship Development Intervention
- SCD** - Specific Carbohydrate Diet
- SI** - Sensory Integration
- SIB** - Self Injurious Behaviour
- SIT** - Sensory Integration Therapy
- SpLD** - Specific Learning Difficulty
- SLP** - Speech Language Pathologist
- SPD** - Sensory Processing Disorder
- SSO** - School Services Officer
- SW** - Social Worker/Support Worker
- TS** - Tourette's Syndrome