

## Questionnaire of potential Autism Spectrum Disorder characteristics :

Please circle all of those that apply to your child either now or in the past.

**Persistent difficulties in social communication and social interaction in multiple areas as manifested by the following currently or by history:**

1-deficits in social/emotional interaction, ranging from abnormal approach to social interaction, failure of normal back and forth conversation, to reduced sharing of interests, emotions or feelings to failure to initiate or respond to social interactions.

2-deficits in nonverbal communication behaviors used for social interaction ranging from challenges with verbal and nonverbal communication to abnormalities in eye contact and body language or deficits in understanding use of gestures to a total lack of facial expression and nonverbal communication.

3-deficits in developing, maintaining and understanding relationships ranging from difficulties of adjusting behavior to suit various social situations to difficulty sharing imaginative play or making friends to absence of interest in peers.

**Restricted, repetitive patterns of behavior, interests or activities, as manifested by at least 2 of the following currently or by history:**

1-stereotyped or repetitive, motor movements, use of objects or speech including things like lining up toys, flipping objects, repetitive speech or unusual phrases.

2-insistence on sameness, inflexible adherence to routines or ritualized patterns of verbal or nonverbal behaviors which might include extreme distress at small changes, difficulties with transitions, rigid thinking patterns, greeting rituals, need to take the same route or eat the same food every day.

3-highly restricted, fixated interests that are abnormal in intensity or focus which might include strong attachment to or preoccupation with unusual objects, excessively circumscribed or perseverative interests.

4-hyper or hypo-reactivity to sensory input or unusual interests in sensory aspects of environment which might include apparent indifference to pain/temperature, adverse response to specific sounds or textures, excessive smelling or touching of objects or visual fascination with lights or movements.