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AUTISM AWARENESS UKRAINE

Program that aims to increase awareness in Ukraine
of people living with autism spectrum disorders



CREATION OF A FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT FOR PEOPLE WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS IN OUR SOCIETY



The program of the Association CHILD.UA "Autism Ukraine" is aimed to create a benevolent environment towards people with autism spectrum disorders.

Ukraine is still at the very early stage to perform widespread early detection and correction of autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Lack of specialists and accessible information causes many children and youth with special psychophysical development become unsuited to life in society. Sadly, there are almost no public service providers or places that are comfortable for people with ASD.

General public are unaware and suspicious of people with such special needs. Children with ASD are forced to refuse to visit public places, which, in turn, leads to the isolation of the whole family.

The Association CHILD.UA together with other public organizations in Ukraine are working at creating mechanisms for a systematic solution to this problem.

By realizing common projects, we promote the protection of rights, social adaptation and the integration of children and youth with autism into Ukrainian society.



AWARENESS PROJECTS

In aim to raise awareness of autism, we are organizing social advertising campaigns, in which we disclose the basic stereotypes and prejudices towards people with ASD. With media partners, we implement joint projects in the media, covering a wide audience of Ukrainian, as well as organize seminars and events with the participation of leading Ukrainian and international experts.

INFORMATION RESOURCE

We created an information resource autism.ua to support parents and professionals working with children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD). The web portal contains useful materials and latest news, search for specialized services, access to free expert advice and tests for early diagnosis. We cooperate with renowned world institutes that perform scientific research of ASD causes and therapy to inform public about the latest achievements.

FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

We are creating in Ukraine a friendly environment for people with autism spectrum disorders. After all, for people with ASD even a simple trip to the store can cause a sensory overload due to the excessively bright light or loud sounds, as well as a lack of understanding from the staff of institutions. We train employees of institutions that provide services and are working to create a network of service providers where people with autism can visit with comfort.

