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TLC

# Toddler (18-36 months) Autism Evaluations

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TLC offers a specialized autism diagnostic program to help families get answers faster. We understand that many parents face long wait times when seeking evaluations and support for their younger children. Our new program is designed to **connect children to neurodiversity-affirming early intervention services sooner.**

## TLC's Testing, Tutoring, and Counseling Department

We provide psychoeducational assessments throughout the lifespan, including psychoeducational evaluations, neuropsychological evaluations, and autism diagnostic evaluations for older children and adults. **This new interdisciplinary collaboration will allow for a more streamlined autism diagnostic assessment of younger children (18-36 months).**

With this earlier identification comes customized recommendations to support each child and improve access to early intervention therapy services.

## Comprehensive Autism Assessments at TLC

Includes occupational therapy screenings to assess sensory and motor needs. Plus, our Family Hearing Center provides specialized testing for children with hearing concerns.

## Expert Assessments

TLC's interdisciplinary team of Psychologists & Speech-Language Pathologists collaboratively conduct evaluations using the ADOS-2, a gold-standard tool for observing behaviors related to autism. Combined with a child's social history and developmental impact, this assessment helps determine if they meet DSM-5 diagnostic criteria.

- Comprehensive and evidence-based
- Collaborative expert evaluation
- Faster access to early intervention

## Signs of Autism May Include:

- Not responding to name.
- Limited eye contact.
- Not speaking as much or in the same way as peers.
- Not initiating play.
- Limited pointing or showing items of interest to others, or difficulty shifting attention to others' interests.
- Repetitive interests or behaviors.
- Difficulty with changes in routine.
- Sensory sensitivities (sound, textures, touch, flavors).

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