Early intervention improves outcomes for children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD).

CADI PROGRAM
An Overview

At the Els for Autism Foundation, we take pride in our Collaborative Autism Diagnosis and Intervention Program (CADI). Our team of highly skilled professionals provides a comprehensive evaluation and report which includes:

- A profile of strengths and weaknesses
- A formal diagnosis of ASD, as appropriate
- Recommendations to support program development

THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, WE

+ Provide parents with the information needed to recognize early signs of ASD
+ Increase access to comprehensive assessments for young children
+ Support families throughout the identification, evaluation and intervention process

CADI PROGRAM PROCESS

PHONE INTERVIEW – Conducted to learn about your family's specific needs and provide an overview of the entire evaluation process.

EVALUATION – Standardized and informal assessments, including gold standard ASD diagnostic tools, will be administered to both parents and child over the course of two days.

REPORTING – Comprehensive report of results, recommendations, and in-person feedback provided to the family.

COLLABORATION – Team members communicate with primary care physicians and guide families to resources, services, and support.

DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES

Signs of ASD are often present before a child reaches two years of age. Below is a list of important developmental milestones to look for as your child grows:

» Shares interest or enjoyment through eye gaze
» Responds by looking when name is called
» Uses gestures to communicate
» Uses coordinated non-verbal communication (combining eye gaze and word/gestures)
» Plays with toys appropriately
» Enjoys playing social games (peekaboo, pretend with dolls or stuffed animals)

If your child is not meeting these milestones or if you have questions and/or concerns, please contact:

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THE ELS FOR AUTISM FOUNDATION was established in 2009 by Liezl and Ernie Els shortly after their son, Ben, was diagnosed with autism. When seeing the need for quality programs and services, the world-class pro golfer and his wife devoted their efforts to a game-changing, philanthropic project - The Els Center of Excellence. Designed as a global hub to connect the international autism communities, the Foundation’s program team creates shared best practices and latest research for improved collaboration. At the 26-acre facility in Jupiter, Florida, the team provides on-site programs and services for individuals of all ages, addressing needs in Education, Research, Global Outreach, Recreation, Therapies and Adult Services.

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