

HOW TO REACH US:

We are located in the heart of James Bay. For more information, contact the Program Coordinator of Autism Services at the Child and Family Counselling Association (CAFCA).

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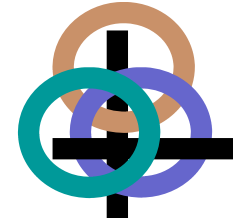
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We believe the following to be Important=

- Respect and dignity
- Celebrating diversity
- Resolving decisions by consensus
- Advocating for the needs of children, youth and families
- Flexibility and change
- Open communication
- Honesty, gentleness and humour
- Responsiveness and thoroughness
- Professionalism and quality

AUTISM SERVICES



**CHILD AND FAMILY
COUNSELLING
ASSOCIATION
(CAFCA)**

offers

Services to Parents
of Children and Youth

Diagnosed with

Autism Spectrum Disorder

CAFCA is a non-profit, accredited agency with 20 years experience assisting families with children and youth diagnosed with autism.

Autism Funding

Children and Youth (up to age 18) with a multidisciplinary diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) may be eligible for Autism Funding from the Ministry of Children and Family Development.

CAFCA Autism Services can help you...

- Learn about autism services in the region.
- Secure a service package tailored to your family's needs.
- Secure funding (staff can assist you to complete the Autism Parent Package and forms).
- Access CAFCA services that you choose:
 - Behavioural Consultants
 - Music Therapy
 - One-to-one Interventionist Support
 - Social Skills Groups
 - Day Camps
 - Other (your ideas)
- Arrange timely referrals to Occupational Therapists, Speech Language Pathologists and other service providers with expertise in Autism.
- Handle paperwork/administration and provide you with accounting of service outcomes and your CAFCA account.
- Ensure that you are happy with what you are getting.



We Can Ease Parents' Worries

Some parents have chosen not to access these funds because:

- to personally secure and administer the funding is complicated and time consuming;
- they do not want to have the liability and responsibility of acting as employers;
- they have found difficulty in arranging timely specialists' recommendations; and
- they see this program as yet one more burden.

CAFCA can solve any or all of these problems for you.

- We can be the employer, taking care of concerns with liability and remittances to Revenue Canada, etcetera.
- We can get access to a specialist to develop recommendations in a timely manner at a reasonable cost.

Our Guarantee

We guarantee parents that:

- they can choose as little or as much of what we offer, based on their needs;
- they can choose which of our staff they want to work with;
- they can terminate or modify the contract at any point, with 7-days' written notice from the parent; and
- they are in complete control of what services are purchased with the dollars allotted.

What Happens When You Call

Administrative staff are available between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, to take your call. They will connect you with the Program Coordinator of CAFCA's Autism Services, who will ask what you are looking for and let you know about our services as well as other services in the community.

If you decide to explore our assistance further, the Program Coordinator will arrange to meet you at your home or our office, whichever you prefer. At the first meeting, the Program Coordinator will listen to your concerns and questions, and explore ways service can be provided with you. You will not be under any pressure to contract our services whatsoever. (Remember, our role is to take the pressure off you.) You may wish to sign up for services at this time or you may want time to think about what you want to do.

If you decide you want to enter into a service relationship, you will be asked to sign a contract detailing services you have selected and associated costs. You will be advised, before you sign a contract, when you can expect services to start.

During the time you are receiving services, you can access the Program Coordinator at any time during office hours with questions or concerns. You will receive monthly financial accounting statements of services rendered on your behalf.