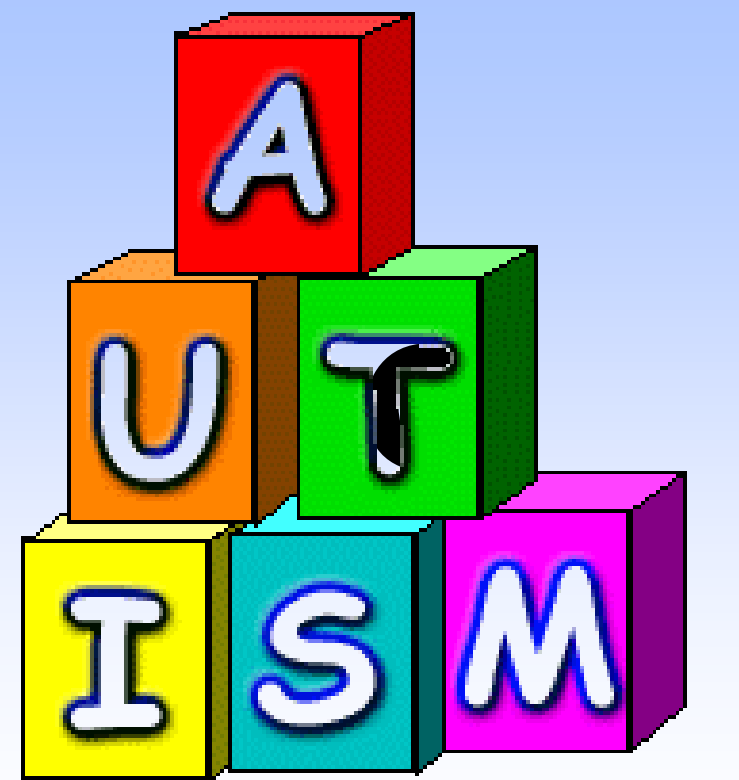


Autism Family and Provider Resource Team

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Introduction

The Autism Family and Provider Resource Center is a state-wide information phone line for families, individuals with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and providers seeking autism specific resources.

Who provides services?

The Autism Family and Provider Resource Center has trained staff members who, through telephone and electronic communication, serve as resource specialists to assist families, individuals and providers in need of information, problem solving or assistance in navigating systems.



What is Autism?

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a neurological and developmental disorder that begins early in childhood and lasts throughout a person's life. It affects how a person communicates verbally and nonverbally and how a person relates socially to others

Who is Eligible?

- Any family member with a child with ASD
- Individuals with ASD
 - Children
 - Teens
 - Adults
- Providers seeking Autism specific resources

What is the Cost?

Services are provided at no cost to eligible families, individuals, and providers

Specializing In

- Information Specialists who can connect individuals to local, state, and national disability related organizations and programs.
- Access to statewide resources
- Referrals to various agencies
- Research for answers and services
- Community outreach
- Assistance navigating resources
- Empowering to self-advocacy



Geographical areas served

The Autism Family and Provider Resource Team is available to every county in New Mexico.



What languages are services available?

Currently the program employs English and Spanish speaking specialists. Interpreter services for other languages are available upon request.

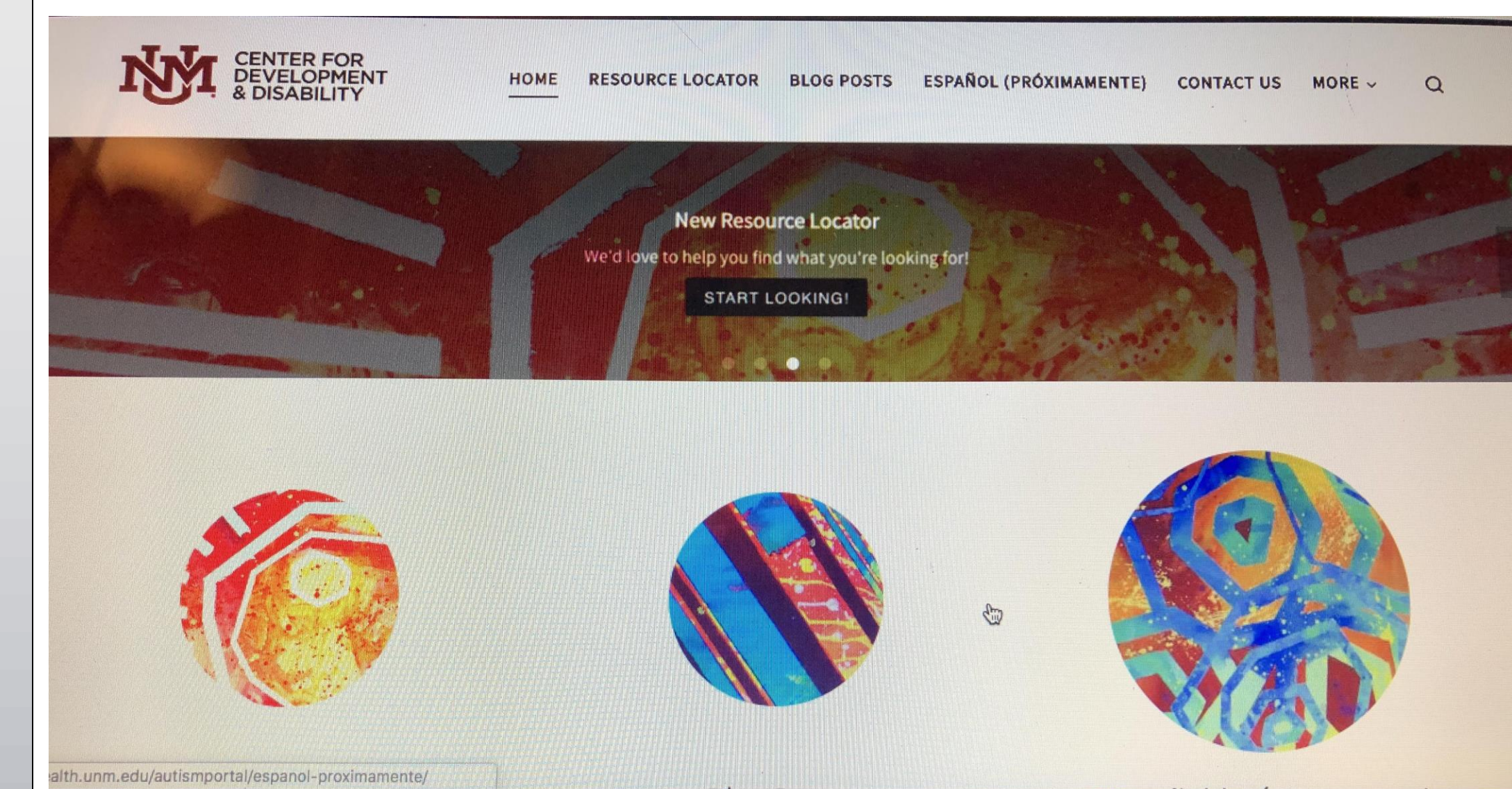
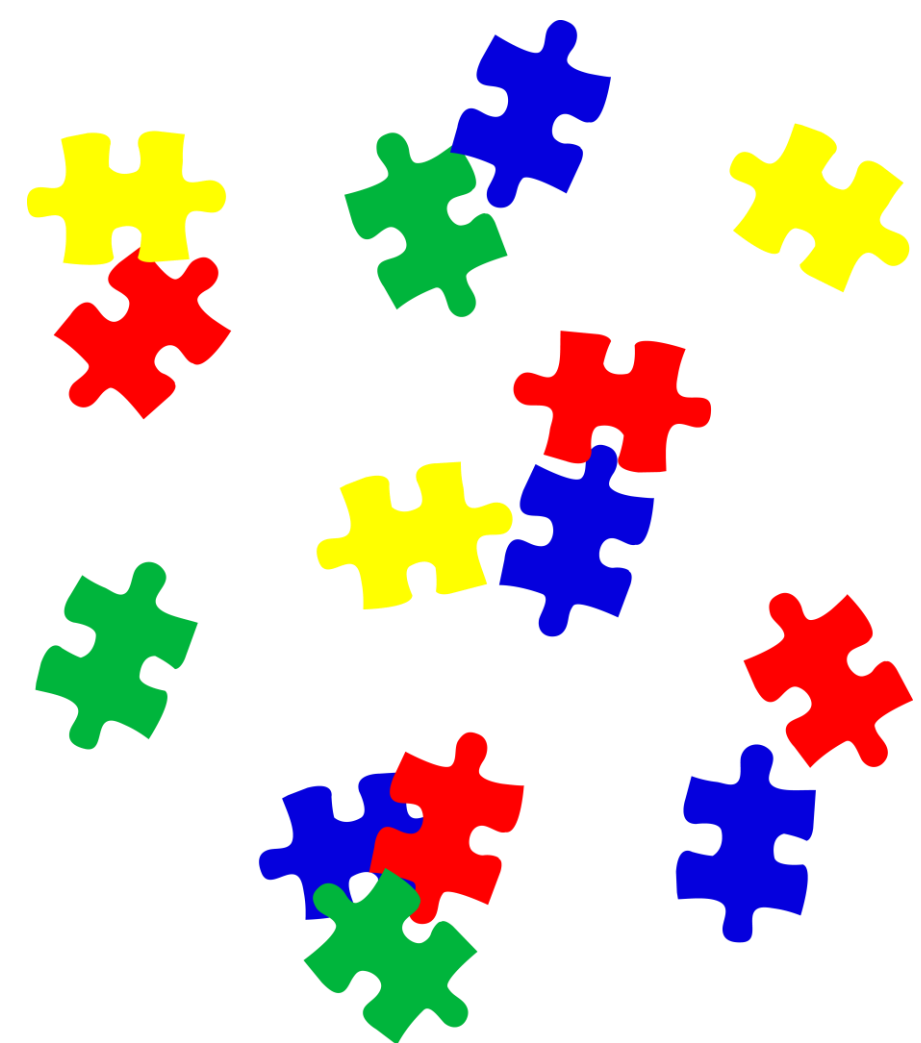
Collaborations

Disability Rights NM, Parents Reaching Out (PRO), EPICS, CYFD Programs, NM Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, The Arc of NM, CDD Information Network, and many other community agencies in New Mexico.



Additional Programs and Services

- Recreation Services
- Autism Spectrum Evaluation Clinic
- Parent Home Training
- Education and Training
- E-Courses
- Advocating
- Information Network Tip Sheets
- Autism Programs' Portal



Contact Information

Requests for information can be made by:

- Phone: 505 272-1852 or 1-800-270-1861
- Email : AutismPrograms@salud.unm.edu
- <http://cdd.health.unm.edu/autismportal>