

Autism Assessment Team

The Greenbush Autism Assessment Team (AAT) works together with families and doctors to remove barriers to accessing diagnostic appointments for children ages 18 months - five years in a nine-county southeast Kansas area. The team provides evaluations, assists families throughout the process, and makes sure families have access to available resources and services.



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INITIAL REFERRAL

Referrals may come from from parents/guardians, medical professionals, or the child's academic or early intervention team

Completion of a positive MCHAT-R, TASI, ASRS, or SRS is required before making a referral to the AAT. If support is needed with screenings, please contact 620.330.6520.

GATHER INFORMATION

Team reviews new referrals to determine next steps which may include connecting families to additional services or a home visit prior to the evaluation.

Greenbush community liaison can support the initial assessment process by speaking with the family and completing any potential screening tools as needed. Families' needs will be identified during weekly teaming meetings.

Questionnaires and other information requests may be sent to schools or other key partners who care for the child.

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Team completes assessments

- A play-based assessment is completed with the child (Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule - ADOS-2)
- The family is interviewed using the Childhood Autism Rating Scale (CARS 2)

Team shares summary and impressions of the evaluations with family

If indicated, Team assists family in scheduling office visit with one of the team pediatricians who is experienced in autism spectrum disorders

REPORT TO PHYSICIAN

Team prepares a report summarizing the information gathered through assessments, interviews, questionnaires, and health history

Physician makes final determination of autism diagnosis after examining the child and talking with parents during an office visit

FOLLOW-UP WITH FAMILY

Greenbush community liaison contacts family by phone or home visit to follow up on the pediatrician office visit and connect family to any available supports or resources