

Autism and the Latin(o/a/x) Communities

"Latin(o/a/x)" encompasses people of Latin American descent living in the United States.

Understanding the intersectionality of race and ethnicity with Autism is crucial for creating inclusive and equitable support systems.



Latin(o/a/x) children are diagnosed with Autism about 2.5 years later than non-Latin(o/a/x) children, leading to delayed access to crucial support services.



Latin(o/a/x) children are less likely to access early intervention services compared to non- Latin(o/a/x) children.



The new estimates suggest that about 3% of Black, Hispanic and Asian or Pacific Islander children have an Autism diagnosis, compared with about 2% of white kids.



Cultural barriers include community perceptions of health services and general mistrust in service providers.



There is a lack of access to equitable supports and services to the Latin(o/a/x) Autistic community due to:

- Cultural Stigma
- Education & Awareness
- Socioeconomics
- Immigration status
- Language proficiency



About the Autism Society

Mission

We create connections, empowering everyone in the Autism community with the resources needed to live fully.

Vision

Creating a world where everyone in the Autism community is connected to the support they need, when they need it.

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Get connected to the support you need, when you need it.

The connection is you.™

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