The Childhood Adversity and Autism Study
Drexel University

Drexel University is recruiting volunteers for a study of adverse and traumatic experiences in youth and young adults with and without autism.

What is the goal of this research?
The goal of this research is to better understand the impact of stressful and traumatic events on youth and young adults with and without autism.

Who is eligible to participate?
Youth and young adults between the ages of 12-22 years may qualify if they have a diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder or if they are currently receiving trauma-related supports or treatment in the community.

What will we be asked to do?
Teens/young adults and their parents will be asked to make 1-2 visits to the AJ Drexel Autism Institute. Visits will be scheduled to be convenient for families taking part in the research. Teens/young adults will receive diagnostic and developmental testing. Parents will be asked to answer questionnaires and participate in interviews on paper and during the in-person visits.

What are the benefits of taking part in this research?
We hope to learn more about the different types of challenges teens and young adults with and without autism face and how these challenges impact their health. Participants will receive $50 for completing the study in addition to free parking for all visits to Drexel. We will give you a comprehensive evaluation, including an in-person feedback session with a clinician as well as a written report that contains recommendations for treatment and local resources.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary and your responses will be kept anonymous.

I want to help! Who do I call?
If you have questions or would like to join the research study, please contact:

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You may also sign up through this link and a research staff member will contact you directly about the study:

https://drexel.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_236UdcDZiC0vlVX