





# The study:

- We don't know how screening and surveillance help children with ASD in the long run. Results from this study will empower providers with evidence-based procedures to detect ASD, optimize care for patients, and improve long-term outcomes.
- Now enrolling primary care providers that care for toddlers within a 60-minute drive of participating university sites
- Autism Center of Excellence (ACE) Network, funded by the National Institute of Mental Health

#### The facts:

- 1 in 68 children will be diagnosed with autism
- Early intervention improves outcomes
- Diagnosis of ASD in toddlers is accurate, but the average age of diagnosis of ASD is after age 4

## What we are asking:

- Agree to be randomized to either a usual care or an experimental condition
  - Usual Care: document and follow your usual care strategies for detection of ASD
  - Experimental: follow study guidelines to detect ASD in patients 16-48 m old
- **BOTH GROUPS:** 
  - Allow the study team to screen all children at 48 months
  - Providers and staff participate in brief ASD education (may confer CME credit)
  - Staff is willing to provide information about check-ups billed in specified months

## **Benefits:**

- Opportunity to receive CME credit or educational session certificates
- Eligible patients have access to diagnostic and treatment services from the study team
- If we learn that specific strategies are helpful, we will share with ALL providers at end of study

#### Get more information:

Contact your local research team to speak by phone or to schedule a meeting in your office

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