

## Parenting A Child With Autism

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### Parenting



This job is filled with emotions. The terror and sadness upon realising that your child is suffering from a lifelong disability, to the unbelievable joy when you see your child respond as their name is called, there is no other job in this world like parenting an autistic child and it isn't anyone's choice of careers.




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### Stress...

Families with autistic children are likely to encounter problems :


- getting referrals
- coordinating care
- receiving support.



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### Our concern...

Many doctors dismiss the parents' concerns or don't take them seriously, believing that parents are just being overly anxious, which contributed to delayed diagnostic process.



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Completely clueless to any form of communication, unable to understand spoken words. Lack of social skill and hyperactivity



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### More Stress...

Upon diagnosis, the treatment phase is also stressful and frustrating because of the amount of therapy needed for the different developmental and physical challenges associated with autism.

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### Lacking...

Lack of professional services in district hospitals and among private practitioners in smaller towns is rubbing salt into the parents' wound.

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### Caring And Services

Continuously learning effective ways to help them, sourcing appropriate services and never losing hope. As, "There is no hopeless child, only hopeless parents"



Phuang Zhi Qiang with his teacher

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### Early Intervention Services

Early Intervention effectively improves a child's developmental levels and is crucial as it helps to make a difference in their future.



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### Parental Involvement

Early Intervention Centres operated by NGOs. Many children benefited from the perseverance of countless care-givers, teachers, volunteers and donors.

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Participation in NGOs and Early Intervention Program will further enhance a child's achievement.



NEW HORIZONS SOCIETY  
For Services to Children With Disabilities



Caring and Helping Individuals with Learning Disabilities Society  
(CHILD Society)

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## Passing the baton



Parents should be more proactive in fostering self-help rather than waiting for such services to come to you.

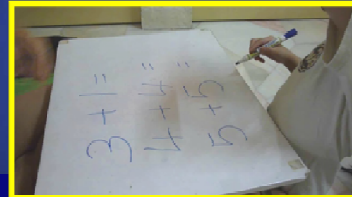
Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS)  
- A tool for communication



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## RESULTS...

16 months into EIP



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# Thank You

