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Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) and Autism - New

Augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) can be helpful to autistic individuals who are unable to get their communicative needs met through speech alone. AAC refers to a constellation of tools, strategies, and techniques that are used to supplement existing communication or replace communication modalities lost due to illness or disease. For autistic children and adults, the goal of AAC is to allow them to say whatever they want, regardless of context. Autistic AAC users can communicate effectively using unaided communication (e.g., gestures, manual signs) as well as AAC technology that ranges from simple to sophisticated. The selection of AAC tools and the development of an intervention plan are both conducted as a team process, with the autistic individual and their families playing a key role in the decision-making.

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How do you plan to implement ideas from this resource?

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