

Petition for Autism Spectrum Disorders to become a Quebec PRIORITY

« Autism spectrum disorders are crying for help »

- Considering that the Ministry of Health and Social Services and the Ministry of Education are not in a position to answer the basic needs of individuals with autism spectrum disorders (ASD);
- Considering that parents of children with ASD are constantly confronted with lack of funding, professionals and expertise;
- Considering the harsh reality of autism spectrum disorders in relation to endless waiting lists, fragmented and inadequate services, or even worse, the complete absence of services;
- Considering the plight of numerous adults with ASD who find themselves without services;
- Considering the potential tragic consequences of these circumstances;

We, the undersigned, ask the government of Quebec:

1. To review and overhaul the entire organization of services for autism spectrum disorders within the Ministry of Health and Social Services and the Ministry of Education, in light of the ongoing and constant increase of cases of ASD each year;

3. To develop services for individuals with ASD of all ages: children, adolescents, and adults, as well as for individuals with ASD without an associated intellectual disability;

2. To develop front-line services and expertise through pilot projects;

4. To develop medical services specifically geared to individuals with ASD.

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