

Accept difference.
Not indifference.

We need to turn the
Autism Act into action

PUSH
FOR
ACTION



Push for Action is our campaign to end the wait for support for adults with autism where you live.

JOIN THE CAMPAIGN TODAY

Sign up to the campaign on our website at www.autism.org.uk/push to join your local community in pushing for better support for adults with autism where you live.

GET THE LOCAL PICTURE

When you sign up, you will find information about how your own council is performing, as well as how many others have joined your local campaign. You can also add your voice to theirs and share your experiences on our online wall.

GET YOUR COMMUNITY INVOLVED

We're stronger when we act together, so once you've signed up see how many of your friends, family and colleagues you can get to join your campaign. There are plenty of resources available, from posters and reports to balloons and badges, to help you spread the word where you live.

STAY INVOLVED

When you sign up to the campaign, we will keep you informed about the different actions you can take throughout the year to help end the wait for support where you live.

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 @Autism #PushForAction



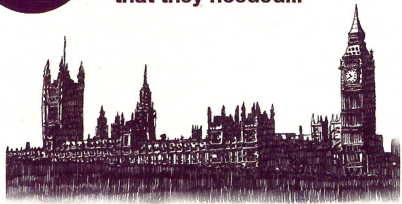
Back in 2009 we finally won the battle for a law to transform the lives of adults with autism...

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The Government recognised that adults with autism were being denied the support that they needed...

...because services were simply not designed to meet their needs.

So the Autism Act was passed



The Autism Act put a duty on local authorities and the NHS to solve this.

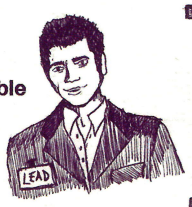


Four years on... how is the Autism Act being implemented?

2013

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Local Authorities have now appointed an Autism Lead responsible for implementing other aspects of the strategy.



Progress is slow and patchy and too many are still waiting for the everyday support that they need.

ONLY 23%

of people with autism told us that the social workers they'd come into contact with had

A GOOD UNDERSTANDING OF AUTISM



63%

of people with autism said they

NEED HELP TO PREPARE A MEAL

But ONLY 6% get this support from social services.



77%

of people with autism said they

NEED HELP TO MANAGE MONEY

But ONLY 4% get this support from social services.



53%

of people with autism said they

WANT HELP TO FIND WORK

But ONLY 10% get this support.

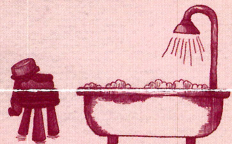


36%

of people with autism said they

NEED HELP TO WASH AND DRESS

But ONLY 7% get this support from social services.

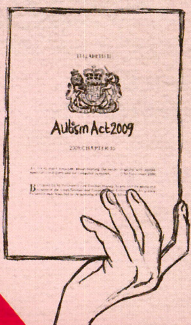


Now it's time for everyone to put the law into action and end that wait.

This year the government will review the Autism Act

Providing a second chance for 300,000 adults with autism to be heard

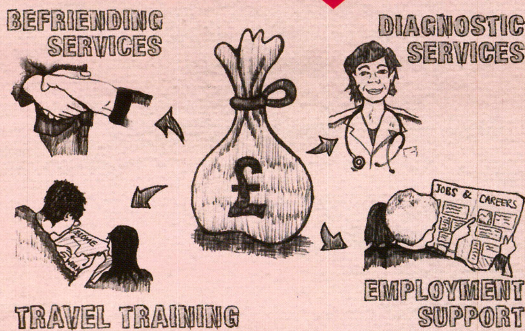
COUNCILS AND THE NHS MUST:



Take the actions outlined as a result of the Autism Act

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT MUST:

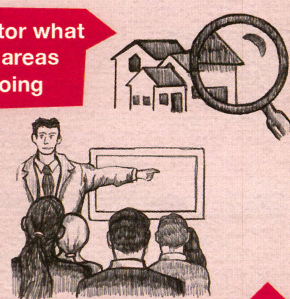
Provide funding to help with new services



Monitor what local areas are doing



Publish guidance to clearly explain what local areas should do



Keep their commitment to train key professionals in autism

These commitments WILL make a difference to the everyday lives of adults with autism.

You can make a difference. Join our campaign today

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