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As of 2023, PASP is member of the CDC's Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring (ADDM) Network. ADDM Network sites conduct surveillance every other year. PASP is located within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Human Services and has agreements and partnerships with the following departments and organizations in support of this project.

- Department of Human Services (DHS)
- Department of Health (DOH)
- Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE)
- The Autism Services Education Resources and Training (ASERT)
- Health Systems
- School Districts

Age Groups 4-year-olds and 8-year-olds

What is ADDM?

The CDC's Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring (ADDM) Network is the only collaborative network to track the number and characteristics of children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in multiple communities in the United States.

ADDM Network Goals:

- Obtain as complete a count as possible of the number of 4- and 8-year-old children with ASD in each ADDM Network area and identify changes in that count over time
- Provide comparable, population-based ASD prevalence estimates in different sites
- Study whether autism is more common in some groups of children than in others and whether rates are changing over time
- Provide data to characterize the ASD population
- Describe health and service needs of adolescents with ASD
- Understand the impact of ASD and related conditions upon children, families, and communities in the United States

Supporting Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities and their families to achieve greater independence, choice, and opportunity in their lives.

