



**Beyond the Limits
An Autism Resource Connection**

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Our Mission

Beyond the Limits, An Autism Resource Connection provides leading-edge information about recently developed and recognized interventions for autism spectrum disorders and a monetary grant to help defray the cost of both traditional and current interventions.

Spot On A Professional...

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Upcoming Events

An Evening with Dr. Jeff Bradstreet!

Where: The Center for Proactive Medicine
1028 B 18th Avenue South
Nashville, TN 37212

When: Saturday, July 19, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Dr. Jeff Bradstreet, an internationally recognized lecturer and researcher in autism, will be the guest speaker at the open house for The Center for Proactive Medicine. A brief Q & A will follow. Refreshments will be provided. RSVP at 615-331-1973 by July 12th.

**Don't Miss the Fun at Salsarita's on August 18th!
2nd Annual Tailgate Party for Autism Awareness
Featuring TN Titans Cheerleaders and T-Rac!
Glenbrook businesses donate items to silent
auction. Check it out!** For details go to
www.autismresourceconnection.com or call 615-870-7842.

NEWS - The FDA announced on June 12, 2008 that silver fillings in our teeth are toxic and harmful to our health, and that they "may have neuro-toxic effects on the nervous systems of developing children and fetuses." For information about safe dentistry, you may want to read *The Need For Safe, Biocompatible Dental Care*. To find this article, go to www.autismresourceconnection.com/dentists.aspx.

Did You Know?

From the Tennessee Public Schools Autism Prevalence Report School Years 1992 – 2003:

- 1,958 children with autism in 2003
- 439% cumulative growth rate of autism from 1992 to 2003
- 15% average annual growth rate for autism from 1992 to 2003
- Autism prevalence compared to CA and U.S
- 1 out of 400 (25/10,000) children has autism in 2003
- Increase in autism prevalence, in 2003, is attributed to younger autistic children (ages 3-8)
- Autism prevalence time trend steadily increased from 1992 to 2003

Conclusion: The increase in autism prevalence is systemic across the entire United States and should be an urgent public health concern. The majority of the increase is attributed to young children. The increasing prevalence time trend provides additional evidence that disease frequency is, and has been, increasing in the United States. The disease frequency of autism now surpasses that of all types of cancer combined.

Highlight On Support Groups in Middle TN

Houston County

S.T.A.R.S. (Contact: Christy Meadow)
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Robertson County

White House Autism Moms (WHAM)
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