

## *Who are we?*

We are concerned families and professionals who, since 1993, have provided services to individuals with autism and related disabilities, to their families, and to the professionals who work with them. The Florida State Legislature allocates funds that are administered by the seven regional CARD sites through the state's Department of Education. The program has grown to include several branch offices. To determine which CARD site serves your area, see the state map inside this brochure.

## *What is our purpose?*

CARD's purpose is to enhance the lives of the individuals we serve. CARD offers free supports within the natural contexts of all settings including home, child care programs, schools, work, and community businesses and programs.



The Center for Autism & Related Disabilities (CARD) provides support and assistance with the goal of optimizing the potential of people with autism spectrum disorder and related disabilities

# CARD

## Center for Autism & Related Disabilities

*Florida's First Choice  
for Autism Support*

**1 - 800 - 9 - AUTISM**





## Who do we serve?

### CARD serves individuals of any age with...

- Current diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) or prior diagnosis of Autistic Disorder, PDD-NOS, Asperger's Disorder, Rett's Disorder, and Childhood Disintegrative Disorder.
- Related Disabilities — deaf-blind (hearing and vision impaired), hearing impaired or vision impaired with other disabling conditions
- Family members, friends and professionals

Referrals are accepted from parents, legal guardians, medical professionals, schools and community agencies. Consent to obtain and review records will be necessary.

## How can we help?

### CARD can ...

- Provide information about an individual's disability
- Refer families to federal, state and local service agencies
- Help families find support groups
- Support families in planning for the future
- Provide training sessions on how to work effectively with individuals with ASD and related disabilities
- Provide consultation to caregivers and professionals on how best to work with an individual with a disability, in order to:
  - teach new skills
  - understand and resolve challenging behavior
  - include individuals with ASD and related disabilities in typical school and community settings
  - develop meaningful communication skills
  - help individuals with ASD and related disabilities become more socially competent members of society

## Where are we?

### CARD Sites

#### Florida Atlantic University

[www.autism.fau.edu](http://www.autism.fau.edu)

##### FAU CARD, Boca Raton

College of Education  
Department of ESE  
777 Glades Rd  
Boca Raton, FL 33431

##### FAU CARD, Jupiter

5353 Parkside Dr, MC03  
Student Resources & Classroom  
Bldg, Suite 274A  
Jupiter, FL 33458

##### FAU CARD, Indian River State College

Schreiber Conference Center  
500 NW California Blvd  
Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

#### Florida State University

[www.fsucard.com](http://www.fsucard.com)

##### FSU CARD, Tallahassee

2312 Killearn Center Blvd, Bldg, A  
Tallahassee, FL 32309

##### FSU CARD, Panama City

2611-A West 23rd St  
Panama City, FL 32405

##### FSU CARD, Pensacola

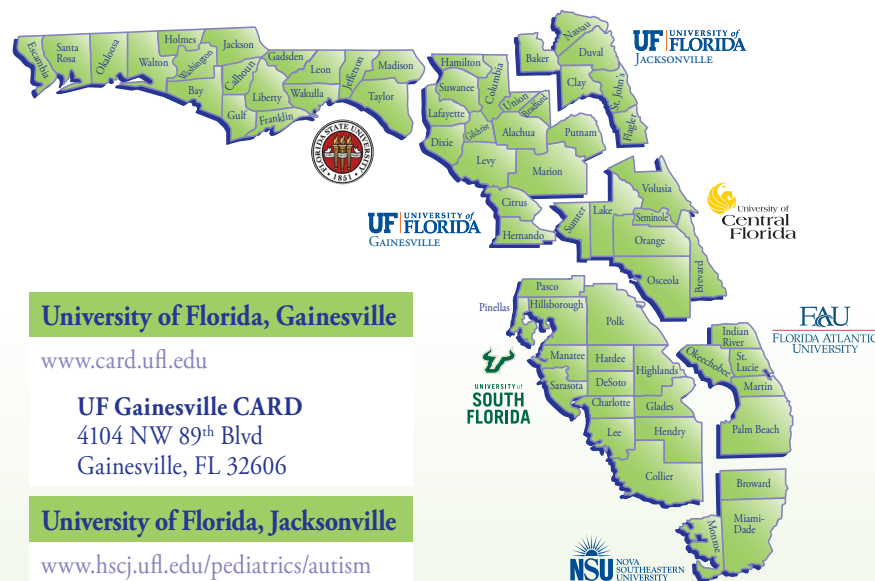
4900 Bayou Blvd, Suite 200  
Pensacola, FL 32503

#### University of Central Florida

[www.ucf-card.org](http://www.ucf-card.org)

##### UCF CARD

12424 Research Pkwy, Suite 365  
Orlando, Florida 32826



#### University of Florida, Gainesville

[www.card.ufl.edu](http://www.card.ufl.edu)

##### UF Gainesville CARD

4104 NW 89th Blvd  
Gainesville, FL 32606

#### University of Florida, Jacksonville

[www.hscj.ufl.edu/pediatrics/autism](http://www.hscj.ufl.edu/pediatrics/autism)

##### UF Jacksonville CARD

6271 St. Augustine Rd, Suite 1  
Jacksonville, FL 32217

#### University of Miami/ Nova Southeastern University

[www.umcard.org](http://www.umcard.org)

##### UM CARD

5665 Ponce de Leon Blvd  
P.O. Box 248768  
Coral Gables, FL 33124-0725

##### NSU CARD

6100 Griffin Rd, 3rd Floor  
Davie FL, 33314

#### University of South Florida

[card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu](http://card-usf.fmhi.usf.edu)

##### CARD USE, Tampa

13301 Bruce B Downs Blvd  
MHC2113A  
Tampa, FL 33612-3899

##### CARD USE, Fort Myers

10501 FGCU Blvd South  
Merwin Hall, Rm 224  
Ft. Myers, FL 33965-6565

##### CARD USE, Lake Placid

1096 US 27 North, Rm 1088  
Lake Placid, FL 33852

*Each CARD site has a constituency board comprised of individuals and/or family members who help guide program policies, priorities and activities.*

**Contact a CARD Center Today!**

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