

# Autism Support Services



TUAWHITU O AKARANA  
RTL Cluster 7

*Celebrating and supporting the diversity of Takiwātanga*

Agency	What support is offered.	Aimed to support ? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Individuals</li><li>• Whānau</li><li>• Professionals</li></ul>
<a href="#">TalkLink</a>	Support individuals who have impairments that impact speech, written communication, learning or controlling their environment. TalkLink team members complete comprehensive assessments to determine appropriate assistive technology that will help them to speak/write/learn/ control their environment.	Individual
<a href="#">Parent2parent.org</a> <a href="#">Altogether Autism</a>	Connecting parents, supporting siblings, information Strengths and abilities of autistic people <a href="#">Altogether Autism</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sibling support</li><li>• Individuals</li><li>• Whānau</li><li>• Professionals</li></ul>

<p>Rainbow House, Remuera,Auckland</p> <p><a href="https://www.rainbowhouse.net.nz/">https://www.rainbowhouse.net.nz/</a></p>	<p>Strategies and services to support with :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Anxiety, frustration and anger</li> <li>● Depression, concentration</li> <li>● Social issues</li> <li>● Transitions</li> <li>● Family relationships</li> <li>● Addictions</li> <li>● Executive functioning</li> <li>● School refusal</li> <li>● Eating /sleeping</li> <li>● Fears and phobias</li> <li>● Conflict resolution</li> <li>● Managing strong and overwhelming emotions</li> <li>● Social / emotional skills</li> <li>● Short term individualized therapy</li> </ul>	<p>Children and young adults, whānau and school support.</p>
<p>Kari Centre DHB</p> <p><a href="https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/public/mental-health-specialty/kari-centre-community-teams/">https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/public/mental-health-specialty/kari-centre-community-teams/</a></p>	<p>Community based DHB teams supporting within the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Child and adolescent psychiatrists</li> <li>● Clinical psychiatrists</li> <li>● Child /family therapists</li> <li>● Child physiotherapists</li> <li>● Cultural advisors</li> <li>● Nurses</li> <li>● Social workers</li> </ul>	
<p>Acorn Autism Charitable Trust</p> <p><a href="https://www.acornautism.co.nz/">https://www.acornautism.co.nz/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Speech Language</li> <li>● Occupational Therapy</li> <li>● Early Intervention</li> <li>● School aged Programme</li> <li>● Behaviour and Psychology support</li> <li>● Caregiver support and P.D</li> </ul>	<p>Caregiver support and training and P.D. School aged programme</p>
<p>Not a service rather helpful resources.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Temple Grandin Ted talks</li> <li>2. Ministry of Health website houses a range of resources on Autism including 3 booklets ("What does ASD look like?"; "Does this person have ASD?"; How is ASD diagnosed?")</li> </ol>	

Autism Connex <a href="https://www.autismconnex.org.nz/">https://www.autismconnex.org.nz/</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Support services for whānau</li> <li>● Monthly meetings to celebrate parents and children</li> <li>● Support for one another through shared experiences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Parents and children</li> </ul>
TKI Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Information about autism</li> <li>● Link to Incredible Years autism for parents and helping children with autism programme</li> <li>● Specialist and community organisations (be aware that many of them use the word 'disabled' in their titles)</li> <li>●</li> </ul>	
<a href="#">Education Hub</a> Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Website of information and resources</li> </ul>	
<a href="#">ASD in Education</a> Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● An online version of the booklet that RTLB Cluster 7 have in their library</li> </ul>	
Autism N.Z <a href="https://autismnz.org.nz/">https://autismnz.org.nz/</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Advocacy Programme</li> <li>● Outreach</li> <li>● Resources</li> </ul>	
Taikura Trust <a href="https://www.taikura.org.nz/">https://www.taikura.org.nz/</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Needs assessment</li> <li>● Service co ordination</li> </ul>	

