## **Autism Workgroup**

This is an open group, and all interested are welcome. For more information and to see past meeting minutes please go to: <a href="https://ifs.vermont.gov/docs/autism">https://ifs.vermont.gov/docs/autism</a>

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This workgroup convenes to use our collective resources to move autism services forward for children and their families in Vermont.

Autism touches many of our lives. Approximately one in 36 children in the United States are diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder. Medicaid funding for autism related services is primarily channeled through the Designated Agencies. There are also private providers supporting children with autism in Vermont. The services are family-centered and require significant training and high levels of supervision. As a state, we have much more work to do to build our system of supports related to autism.

To address and highlight these needs, in November 2015, a group of community and state stakeholders started coming together to ask the following: *How do we use our collective resources to move autism services forward for children and their families in Vermont?* 

Every month a diverse group of family members, state staff, and community partners come together to talk about gaps, issues and to highlight examples of exemplary work.

## **Meeting Schedule for 2025**

## Link for all Meetings:

https://uvmcom.zoom.us/j/4508212245?omn=98669104244

Meeting ID: 450 821 2245

To call in only: 1-646-876-9923, PIN: 4508212245# US (New York)

Date	Time
Wednesday, January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	2:00-3:00
Wednesday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-3:00
Wednesday, April 30 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-3:00
Wednesday, June 4 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-3:00
July	No meeting
August	No meeting
Wednesday, September 10 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-3:00
Wednesday, October 8 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-3:00
November	No meeting
Wednesday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	2:00-3:00