

## **Resources from Autism Is Welcome Here: The ACCESS Approach to Inclusion**

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**Survey feedback from Colorado library users who are caregivers for autistic youth:**

[Autism Community Survey](#) (Colorado State Library)

### **Slide 3:**

[TEDx Talk](#): “Autism and Neurodiversity: Different Does Not Mean Broken” (Adriana White, autistic librarian, autism advocate)

Adriana White’s [website](#)

### **Slides 6-21 Research Sources**

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Autism Society of Oregon](#)

[Oregon Health and Sciences University](#)

[National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center](#)

[Autism Society](#)

[University of Cambridge](#)

[Spark for Autism](#)

### **Slide 15:**

[Autism Ontario video](#): “See the Potential with Michael McCreary” (Michael McCreary, autistic comedian, author, autism advocate)

### **Slide 20:**

Author Maya MacGregor's [website](#) (autistic YA author)

### **Slide 22:**

[Mental Health First Aid courses](#)

### **Slide 22:**

Safe2Tell free [digital marketing resources](#)

### **Slide 24:**

ACCESS Poster [PDF copy](#) (Denver Human Services, Autism Community Store)

### **Slide 25:**

[ACCESS Sensory Accessibility Checklist](#) (Denver Human Services, Autism Community Store)

**Slide 30:**

Social story [example](#) (Menomonee Falls Public Library, WI)

**Slide 31:**

Video modeling [example](#) (Secaucus Public Library, NJ)

**Slide 32:**

Visual schedule [example](#) (Finger Lakes Library System, NY)

[Visual Schedules: A Practical Guide for Families](#) (Katherine Havlik, University of Utah)

**Slide 33:**

[Sensory equipment examples](#) from the Autism Community Store in Denver, CO

**Slide 34:**

[Sensory Space at the Discovery Center](#) (Louisville Public Library, OH)

**Slide 37:**

Article: [“Being an Autistic Dungeon Master”](#) by Lucas Maxwell, *School Library Journal*

**Slide 39:**

[Neurodiversity Celebration Week website](#) (includes schedule of events and a large library of autism-related resources)

**Slide 40:**

[“Serving Neurodiverse Needs in the Library,”](#) *Publisher’s Weekly*

**Slide 44:**

[Autistic Self-Advocacy Network](#)

[Organization for Autism Research](#) (includes [College Central](#), a hub of information and resources for autistic college students)

[Autism Society](#)

[Autism Society of Colorado](#)

[Autism Community Store](#)

[Neurodiversity Celebration Week](#)

**Slide 47:**

["Autism Representation in Books"](#) blog post by Adriana White (Organization for Autism Research)

**Slide 49:**

[A Novel Mind](#): Resource for Exploring Mental Health and Neurodiversity Representation in Children’s Literature

**Slide 53:**

[Colorado State Library School Libraries Communication Toolkit](#)

[PDF Document](#): What Is a Highly Effective School Librarian? (Colorado State Library)

[Video](#): What Is a Highly Effective School Librarian? (Colorado State Library)

**Slide 54:**

[SLIDE Project District and State Profiles](#)

## **Additional Resources**

[A Neurodiversity Facts and Myths Primer](#)

[University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Disability and Libraries Toolkit](#)

[University of Washington Autism-Ready Libraries Toolkit](#)

## **[Washington Library Association Neurodivergence & Libraries Summit Presenters\\*](#)**

**\*All of the presenters listed identified as autistic or neurodiverse.**

*Introduction to Neurodiversity*

**Dr. Lucas Harrington, Psy.D.** (he/him), Psychologist, University of Washington Autism Center

*Keynote with Mike Jung*

**Mike Jung** (he/him), Author

*We Are Already Here: The Workplace Experiences of Neurodivergent Library Workers*

**Christine Moeller** (they/she), Phd Student, University of Washington iSchool

**Mei'lani Eyre** (he/they), Librarian, South Seattle College (Moderator)

*Supporting the Autistic Community Through Neurodiversity Libraries*

**Christina-Marie "CM" Wright** (they/them), NCW LEND: North Central Washington Library for Education on NeuroDiversity

**Lei Wiley-Mydske** (she/they), Ed Wiley Autism Acceptance Library

*The Invisible Labor of Managing Executive Dysfunction at Work*

**Nicole Gustavson** (they/she), STEM Librarian, Foley Library, Gonzaga University

*Digital Library Accessibility Through The Lifespan: Multigenerational Neurodivergent Perspectives*

**Tiara Schwarze-Taufiq**, Huskies For Neurodiversity

**Audrey Barbakoff**, Co/Lab Capacity CEO (Moderator)