

**WAC 388-823-0500 How do I show that I have autism as an eligible condition?** (1) To be considered for eligibility under the condition of autism:

- (a) You must be age four or older;
  - (b) You must have been diagnosed with:
    - (i) Autism spectrum disorder 299.00 under the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders, fifth edition (DSM-5); or
    - (ii) Autistic disorder 299.00 under the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders, fourth edition, text revision (DSM-IV-TR) before February 1, 2022;
  - (c) You must have been diagnosed by:
    - (i) A board-certified neurologist;
    - (ii) A board-certified psychiatrist;
    - (iii) A licensed psychologist;
    - (iv) An advanced registered nurse practitioner (ARNP) associated with an autism center, developmental center, or center of excellence;
    - (v) A licensed physician associated with an autism center, developmental center, or center of excellence; or
    - (vi) A board certified developmental and behavioral pediatrician.
  - (d) The condition must be expected to continue indefinitely; and
  - (e) You must provide evidence of onset before age five.
- (2) An acceptable diagnostic report includes documentation of diagnostic criteria specified in:
- (a) The DSM-5; or
  - (b) DSM-IV-TR for a diagnostic report dated before February 1, 2022.

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