

# Diagnostic Services

Comprehensive Autism Center provides comprehensive developmental evaluations of children 0 to 6 years old. These evaluations investigate and diagnose a concern for autism spectrum disorder, global developmental delay, intellectual disability or behavior challenges in children with or without mental health problems, such as trauma, depression, and anxiety.



Standardized diagnostic tools approved by insurance companies are used for the evaluations. The evaluation consists of a consultation ("what is the concern?"), followed by an in-person assessment with immediate feedback of the results, diagnosis, and any recommendations.



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## Help is closer than you think

CAC collaborates with families impacted by autism across Southern California, from our centers conveniently located in San Diego and Riverside Counties.

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# Diagnostic Process

- STEP 1** **Screening:** Our Family Liaison will call you to ask a few questions to evaluate whether we provide the services that can answer your concerns.
- STEP 2** **Insurance:** Your insurance company provides us with an authorization to evaluate your child.
- STEP 3** **Paperwork:** Complete our intake paperwork packet giving us consent to evaluate your child and providing us with basic family information.
- STEP 4** **Intake:** Complete a video intake of about 1 hour with our psychologist to understand your concerns in detail and to provide detailed information.
- STEP 5** **Assessment + Plan:** Complete one visit in-person with our psychologist at our Temecula or San Diego locations for an in-depth assessment, feedback of the results, and discussion of treatment plan.



# The CAC Choice



## SUPPORT

The Family Liaison team works closely with the family to support in communication between your family, our diagnostician, your child's pediatrician, and insurance to ensure full continuity of care for your child.



## CONVENIENT

CAC values the family's time. The family will have a direct contact to the Family Liaison team for questions. Also, having an in-house diagnostician allows for us to be your advocate on the front lines.



## QUICK AND EFFICIENT

CAC has a short wait time for evaluation services. Results of the evaluation are provided to the family before they leave the appointment. A formal report is ready to be sent to the family within 7 business days.

## DIAGNOSING TAKES TWO STEPS:

**Step 1:** Developmental Screening

**Step 2:** Diagnostic Evaluation



**TAKE FREE  
SCREENING**



# Meet Our Lead Clinical Psychologist

Koen Van Braeckel, PhD, has been a licensed clinical psychologist since 2012 and has been licensed in California since 2019. Dr. Koen specializes and has extensive experience in the diagnostic evaluation of autism spectrum disorder, developmental delay/intellectual disability, learning disabilities, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (AD/HD), visual information processing impairment and children with a history of perinatal medical complications.

Prior to working at CAC, Dr. Koen was a licensed clinical psychologist at Rady Children's Hospital San Diego and worked as a licensed clinical psychologist at the Center for Disabilities and Development of the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Also, previously he was a researcher/licensed clinical psychologist at the Division of Neonatology of the University Medical Center Groningen in the Netherlands.