

# ABA – Community Autism Resources

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NOTE: These resources are neither endorsed nor recommended by Hall County Schools. This list is simply a compilation of local resources that have advertised services for children with autism in the Hall County and Metro Atlanta areas. It is up to parents' discretion to investigate and/or use any of these services.

Fusion Autism Center: <https://www.fusionautism.com/about-us/locations-all/georgia-locations/> - they do clinical and home-based ABA therapy and have locations in Buford, Cumming, Duluth, and soon, Gainesville. May have a six-month waiting list.

AVITA ABA Services: [www.avitapartners.org](http://www.avitapartners.org) – they take Medicaid and offer clinical, virtual, and in-home services; however, we've been told that they have a one-year waiting list (they are currently understaffed with therapists)

Lifting Spirits Therapy Services, Inc.: <https://www.liftingspiritstherapy.com/home.html>  
Located in Gainesville. OT, PT, SLP, ABA, Pediatric Rehabilitation. In clinic and natural environments including home and community settings. Bilingual services (English and Spanish providers). Accept Aetna, Cigna, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Medicaid Traditional and CMOs (Amerigroup, Wellcare, Peachstate, Care Source), United Healthcare, Tricare.

Emory Autism Center: Offering in person or virtual appointments; (404) 727-8350;  
<http://psychiatry.emory.edu/programs/autism/>

Marcus Autism Center: <https://www.marcus.org/> - they require a primary care doctor to refer a student through their web portal at their website – when this is received, they send parent information to complete, and once this is received, they will schedule the family. (there is usually a waiting list)

<http://www.bufordpsychology.com/> - they take Medicaid and include assessments for autism spectrum disorders; cognitive-behavioral therapy; parent-child interaction therapy; behavior modification.

Hopebridge Autism Therapy Centers: <https://www.hopebridge.com/> - locations in Cumming and Suwanee – they take Medicaid and provide ABA services. Suwanee location works with students in-clinic only and ages 2-12 yrs old. Cumming location works with students in-clinic and in-home (case-by-case basis for in-home) ages 18 months-13 yrs old. Both currently have waiting lists (Cumming location can serve up to 36 children). Typically ask for half-day or full-day commitment for some services.

Academy ABA: <https://academyaba.com/> - locations in Cumming, Roswell, and Cartersville. They work with a variety of funding options (private insurance, Medicaid, Waivers, SB10) and offer center based and home based services as well as a full-day program/school.

Dogwood Autism Services: <https://www.dogwoodautism.com/> Locations in Alpharetta, Newnan, Roswell, and Sandy Springs. They offer clinic based ABA therapy, home based ABA therapy, and school based ABA therapy. They accept Aetna, Amerigroup, Anthem/Blue Cross Blue Shield, CareSource, Medicaid Traditional, Peach State Health Plan, Tricare and United Health Care. There is a current waitlist that you can get on via their website.

Georgia Behavior Solutions: <https://www.georgiabeavior.com/> They offer home, center, and community based services. Provide ABA therapy, direct care, behavioral intervention, social skills groups, and family training. They accept Medicaid, Commercial Insurance, Private Insurance, and Private Payment. Eligible families can access low-cost services.

Spectrum Autism Support Group: <https://www.atl-spectrum.com/> - they are located in Gwinnett and offer parent, child, and sibling support groups, as well as social skills groups for various ages. Might be worth talking to them just to link to other parents who may use additional resources, etc.

Beyond Words – [www.beyondwordscenter.com](http://www.beyondwordscenter.com) – Roswell, GA. Full range of psychotherapy and assessment services (individual, group, and family therapy). They also offer social skills classes at various sites. Focuses on higher-functioning autism.

Clay White, LLC – <http://www.claywhite.us/> - therapeutic programs that are activity-based (typically outdoors) and sensory driven. (770) 393-3939.

Parent-2-Parent of Georgia may be able to provide additional resources. Their website is: <https://www.p2pga.org/>

<http://www.heartsongga.com/> - Music therapy – Gainesville, GA

<https://dreampowertherapy.org/equine-therapy-services/> - Therapeutic riding – 1855 Calvary Church Rd. Gainesville, GA

<http://www.negasc.com/> - Speech therapy

<http://www.bufordpsychology.com/> - \*\*They are only conducting psychological evaluations right now and not accepting new therapy patients\*\* They take Medicaid and include assessments for autism spectrum disorders; cognitive-behavioral therapy; parent-child interaction therapy; behavior modification.

<https://helpinghandspediatrictherapy.com/> - Buford, GA - OT, PT, Speech, sensory integration therapy;

### **Psychiatrists**

**Psychiatric Professionals of Georgia** – [www.psychiatricprofessionals.com](http://www.psychiatricprofessionals.com) – (678) 263-3080

1325 Satellite Blvd. NW Bldg. 400, Suwanee, GA 30024

Will need a referral from primary care doctor to be seen. I've heard good things about Dr. Shah, but there are several doctors in the practice and at least one that speaks Spanish.

**Northeast Georgia Physicians Group** – Dr. Andrea Huntley – specializes in child & adolescent psychiatry

(770) 219-5407      200 Wisteria Drive, Gainesville, GA 30501

Insurances accepted, including Amerigroup, CareSource, Cigna, Anthem BCBS, Aetna – always check 1st

### **Clinical Psychologists – Adult AU Evaluations:**

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<https://www.your-psychologist.com/> Dr. Steven Kovner (Peachtree Corners)

<https://www.northpointpsychology.com/> North Point Psychology (Alpharetta, Old Milton Pkwy)