

Research Request Form

For your research support request to be processed, we require all enquiries to complete and return this form. All decisions on whether studies are distributed or supported will be dependent on the full completion of this form alongside any supporting evidence. If you have any issues with the form, or any questions whilst filling it in, please contact Research@nas.org.uk.

Name of Lead Researcher	
Co-Researchers	
Institution/organisations involved	
Level of research (of Lead researcher) (e.g. Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Post-Doc)	
Email for Research	
Date of Request	
Ethical Approval status (please attach evidence in separate document, e.g. approval letter).	
Research type / field (e.g. Qualitative, quantitative, neuroscience)	
Research theme(s) (e.g. education)	

Research Context

The following questions will ask you to provide an outline of the research study you are undertaking.

<p>1. Research Summary</p> <p>Please use the space below to summarise the project. This should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Aims • Research Questions • Statement of Significance

2. Methodology

Please provide a summary of the methodology of the study. It is useful to do this by:

- setting it out in steps or phases
- with an indication of time scale
- rationale for the methods selected
- indication that potential safeguarding, participant protection and risk planning have been considered
- how participants will be reimbursed

3. Community Involvement

At the National Autistic Society, we prioritise research that directly benefits the lives of autistic people and their families.

In order to support research, we need to know:

- Have autistic people been directly involved in the development of the study?
- Are autistic people being actively involved in key aspects of the research (for example, decision-making or consultation?)
- Does the research reflect the priorities of the autistic community?
- What are the intended benefits of this research for autistic people and their families?

4. Intended Outcomes of the Research

We prioritise research that has clear benefits and outcomes for autistic people. Please can you briefly explain what you intend to achieve with the research being undertaken, and how the success of this can be measured.

Please also use this space to explain potential future research.

5. Researcher Background

Please share a brief statement about the researcher(s) of this research.

This may include relevant qualifications, background (work or personal connection to autism) and some examples of past projects (for example, a link to previous publications).

6. Potential Limitations or Conflicts of Interest

Please use the space below to detail any potential limitations to the study and how you intend to address these.

If your research team, organisation have any conflicts of interest that may impact the research, or funding to complete the project – please detail these here.

7. Any additional information

If there is any additional information that we should know in support of your research request, please use the below space.

Supporting Signature

In order to process your request, we need this document to be signed and dated to confirm that the information supplied is correct, up-to-date and does not omit any key information. If you are happy with the information provided, please sign below:

Researcher signed:

Dated:

If there are any changes, please notify Research@nas.org.uk immediately.