Name of Study: Sibling Adjustment in Families of Children with ASD
Location: Online through Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI
Eligibility Criteria: Parents with at least two children, one aged 2-18 years with an autism spectrum disorder and one aged 6 to 18 years who is typically developing
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Dear Parent,

I am writing this letter to offer you the opportunity to participate in an internet-based study through Michigan State University. Parents and siblings of children with disabilities may experience stress related to the demands of having a child with a disability in the family. We are interested in how specific child behaviors, demographic variables (e.g., income level, number of children in the home, etc.), child personality, and parent depression and personality traits may affect the behavior and sibling relationships of typically developing children in the family.

If you agree to participate in this study, you will be asked to complete several online questionnaires. Some questionnaires will ask about your children's behaviors, personality, impact on your family, and sibling relationship. The other questionnaires will ask about your personality characteristics and depression. The entire study should take no more than about 40 minutes to complete. There is no charge to participate in the study.

If you are interested in participating, please click on the following link:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=tVFwaXYy_2bKVNmArUmErOp7w_3d_3d

You will be asked to enter a password. The password is: autism.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. We look forward working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

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