

CHARACTERISTICS OF AUTISM & TRAUMA

Key brain functions affected

- Working memory
- Attention
- Concentration
- Planning
- Impulsivity
- Emotional regulation

Common Traits:

- Avoidant behaviors
- Repetitive play
- Emotional dysregulation
- Difficulty with transitions
- Sensory differences
- Sleep disturbances

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- Development could be interrupted or slowed such as building complex motor skills
- The child may lose some previously acquired skills
- Precocious acceleration: acquiring skills they aren't emotionally or mentally prepared for