What?
The Red Flags are brief checklists of screening instruments for Autism Spectrum Condition. There is one for each of four age groups: toddlers, children, adolescents and adults.

Who?
The checklists provide a quick and accurate tool for busy GPs to determine if a particular patient needs referral to a specialist centre for a full diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Condition.

Why?
Diagnosis can be a lengthy process and the benefit to patients is to speed up the time it normally takes to access a diagnosis.

The Red Flags tools could help frontline professionals decide whether to refer a person for specialist assessment.
An explanation of CLAHRC CP and its role

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Funded by the National Institute for Health Research, our mission is to undertake high quality applied research to improve health and social care across the East of England.

This is a bite-sized summary of a piece of CLAHRC CP research. It is part of a series designed to make our research findings available to clinicians, commissioners and policy-makers.

References


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