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## **National Autism Center Provides Critical Autism Resources Through Workplace Giving Campaign**

Randolph, Mass. — The National Autism Center, the nonprofit organization responsible for publishing the globally recognized National Standards Project, is among the beneficiaries of the U.S. Government's 2011 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). The CFC is the world's largest workplace giving campaign that benefits thousands of nonprofit organizations.

Last year, the National Autism Center received pledges of more than \$238,000 from federal employees around the globe. The donations raised in this year's 2011 campaign will go towards supporting families and individuals whose lives are affected by Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

Contributions help fund timely diagnosis and necessary assessments; therapeutic and educational support for parents and siblings; and dissemination of critical information about ASD. The Center's groundbreaking initiative – the National Standards Project – is the most comprehensive analysis ever published about which treatments have been shown to be effective for individuals with ASD. The resulting National Standards Report, along with a comprehensive guidebook for educators and new manual for parents, are having a global impact.

“We are extremely grateful to the CFC campaign's many supporters for helping us to provide families, educators, and others with the resources necessary to make informed treatment decisions,” says Hanna Rue, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Director of Evidence-based

Practice for the National Autism Center. “This generosity enables us to forge ahead with the Center’s critical work, which is giving hope and direction to people whose lives are touched by autism.”

To be named a beneficiary of the CFC, the National Autism Center underwent rigorous review to demonstrate that it meets the highest standards of public accountability, and program and cost effectiveness. These standards are required by the U.S. government, and fewer than 50,000 charities (or 5%) of the millions of charities operating in the U.S. meet these standards. Additionally, the Independent Charities of America has also awarded the Center with the highest honor – the Seal of Excellence.

The National Autism Center is a member of the “Charities Under 1% Overhead” federation – an IRS-recognized, tax-exempt group representing charitable organizations with an operating overhead of one percent or less. The federation, in its first year, was created to help CFC donors make every dollar of their donation count by gathering together highly respected national charities that spend 99 percent or more of their revenue on programs and services.

The CFC campaign season runs through December 15. The National Autism Center’s DBA is “Autism Center – Family Support, Diagnostics, and Advocacy for Effective Treatment.” Its CFC number is 39406.

To view a video about NAC’s participation, [click here](#).

### **About the National Autism Center**

The National Autism Center is May Institute’s Center for the Promotion of Evidence-based Practice. It is dedicated to serving children and adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) by providing reliable information, promoting best practices, and offering comprehensive resources for families, practitioners, and communities.

An advocate for evidence-based treatment approaches, the National Autism Center

identifies effective programming and shares practical information with families about how to respond to the challenges they face. The Center also conducts applied research and develops training and service models for practitioners. Finally, the Center works to shape public policy concerning ASD and its treatment through the development and dissemination of national standards of practice. For more information, please call 877.313.3833 or visit [www.nationalautismcenter.org](http://www.nationalautismcenter.org).