



**State of Michigan Department of Community Health
Autism Application – ADOS-2 Initial Evaluation**

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Purpose: The purpose of this job aid is to assist Community Mental Health (CMH), Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP), and Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) workers with understanding ADOS-2 overall cutoff scores and the correlating classification for entry into the WSA system.

Toddler Module

Toddler Module Overall Total cutoff scores		
	ALL YOUNGER/OLDER WITH FEW TO NO WORDS	OLDER WITH SOME WORDS
Moderate –to-Severe Concern	14 or higher	12 or higher
Mild-to-Moderate Concern	10 to 13	8 to 11
Little-to-No Concern	0 to 9	0 to 7

*Moderate-to Severe Concern should be classified as autism in the WSA and Mild-to-Moderate Concern should be classified as autism spectrum

Module 1

Module 1 Overall Total cutoff scores		
	FEW TO NO WORDS	SOME WORDS
autism	16	12
autism spectrum	11	8

Assign the ADOS-2 Classification:	
autism	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few to No Words-Overall Total is 16 or higher Some Words-Overall total is 12 or higher
autism spectrum	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism spectrum cutoff, but less than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few to No Words-Overall Total is 11 to 15 Some Words-Overall Total is 8 to 11
non-spectrum	Overall Total is less than the autism spectrum cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few to No Words-Overall Total is 10 or lower Some Words-Overall Total is 7 or lower



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Module 2

Module 2 Overall Total cutoff scores		
	YOUNGER THAN 5 YEARS	AGE 5 YEARS OR OLDER
autism	10	9
autism spectrum	7	8

Assign the ADOS-2 Classification:	
autism	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Younger than 5 Years- Overall Total is 10 or higher • Age 5 Years or Older-Overall total is 9 or higher
autism spectrum	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism spectrum cutoff, but less than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Younger than 5 Years- Overall Total is 7 to 9 • Age 5 Years or Older-Overall total is 8
non-spectrum	Overall Total is less than the autism spectrum cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Younger than 5 Years- Overall Total is 6 or lower • Age 5 Years or Older-Overall total is 7 or lower

Module 3

Module 3 Overall Total cutoff scores	
autism	9
autism spectrum	7

Assign the ADOS-2 Classification:	
autism	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Total is 9 or higher
autism spectrum	Overall Total is equal to or greater than the autism spectrum cutoff, but less than the autism cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Total is 7 or 8
non-spectrum	Overall Total is less than the autism spectrum cutoff: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall Total is 6 or lower