## **Autism Awareness Printable Worksheet: Version 2**

## Signs and Symptoms of Autism Spectrum disorder:

- Failure to initiate the talk.
- Minimal or no eye contact.
- Reduced sharing of emotions (happiness, sadness, anger, etc.
- Failure to initiate gestures
- Blank face, no gestures
- Minimal or no sharing of interests
- Failure to respond to talk (questions, comments)
- Delayed responses.
- Failure of Speech reciprocity: back and forth conversation
- Inappropriate gestures in situations
- Lack of understanding of emotions.

## Red Flags To Look For In A Child/Client With Autism Spectrum Disorder

- Not responding to his/her name by 12 months of age
- Not pointing at objects to show interest by 14 months
- Not playing "pretend" games by 18 months
- Avoiding eye contact or preferring to be alone
- Getting upset by minor changes
- Flapping their hands, rocking their body, or spinning in circles
- Having unusual and sometimes intense reactions to the way things smell, taste, feel, and/or look.

