## ASD Across the Lifespan: Prognosis and Outcomes

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- 3 factors contributing to importance of ASD across the lifespan:
  - Early Intervention—effective intensive early behavioral
  - 2. Educational advocacy and legislation
  - 3. Deinstitutionalization movement and rise in community based living and services

### Prognosis: Patterns of Change

Social & Communication

Repetitive & stereotyped behavior

Patterns of change differ in each diagnostic domain

### Prognosis: Positive Outcomes

Positive outcomes in the research are related to...

- Cognitive Abilities/Non-verbal Problem Solving
- Expressive Language
- Intelligibility
- Language Comprehension (Receptive Language)

# Summary: ASD Across the Lifespan