Our Goal
Understand the earliest indicators of autism spectrum disorders (ASD)

What We Now Know
Family videotapes of children later diagnosed with ASD suggest that diagnostic signs may emerge within the first year of life

What We Will Do
Study infants who have an older brother or sister already diagnosed with ASD
Look for infant behaviors that predict a later ASD diagnosis

Benefits
Screens and assessments of autism symptoms between 18 and 48 months at no cost

How You Can Help
Participate with your infant in one or both of the projects on the reverse side. Compensation is available for participants.
How Babies Develop Intellectually (directed by Dr. Mark Strauss)

Where: Infant & Toddler Development Center, University of Pittsburgh (free parking provided)
When: Infants are seen at 6, 11, 16, 24, 36 and 48 months of age
What: Babies watch pictures and movies (e.g. Mr. Rogers Neighborhood) while we record how they look at them
Infants who do not have a sibling with autism are also welcome in this study
Website: www.pitt.edu/~infants
Email: infants@pitt.edu

How Babies Communicate (directed by Dr. Jana Iverson)

Where: In your own home at a time convenient for you
When: Monthly while babies are between 5 and 14 months, then again at 18, 24, and 36 months
What: Trained staff visit your home for about an hour and observe infants during everyday activities and playtime with you
Website: www.pitt.edu/~icl
Email: icl@pitt.edu

To join us in this effort or if you have questions, please contact us at:

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