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## **Our History**

The AIM project was begun in 2007 as a way to provide parents and professionals with the up-to-date information they need to help individuals with ASD achieve their highest potential.

Developed by the Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) in partnership with the Autism Society of America (ASA), the Nebraska Autism Spectrum Disorders Network, the National Professional Development Center on Autism Spectrum Disorders and Toronto's Geneva Centre for Autism, this series of online learning modules includes information on assessment and identification of ASDs, recognizing and understanding behaviors and characteristics, transition to adulthood, employment, and numerous evidence-based practices and interventions.

All module content has been written by ASD experts from across the U.S., including the Arizona Department of Education, the Indiana Resource Center for Autism, and the University of Miami Center for Autism and Related Disorders. In addition, OCALI staff members have designed each module to be consistent with research on how adults learn; information is presented at a universal reading level, and interactive activities both reinforce knowledge and teach learners how to make the latest research applicable to real life.

## **Our Future**

Autism and ASDs know no borders; they can be found in every country of the world. In order to ensure that AIM modules are accessible to more than just English-speaking peoples, our long-term goals include translating each of our modules into Arabic, Chinese, Spanish, French, Russian, and Somali.

At AIM, our goal is to provide individuals around the globe with the most current and comprehensive information available. To that end, we will continuously update our content to reflect that latest research findings and have plans to add a number of new modules for a grand total of sixty.

If you would like to become involved in the project, please contact the staff at OCALI at 614.410.0338 or aim info@ocali.org.

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