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Like many families, the Wengers had certainly heard of autism and ASD in the news, but until it touched their family, they did not truly understand how a family’s life could be turned upside down by a diagnosis. In Susan Wenger’s words, “After doing much research and after many meetings and phone calls, it became evident that we were facing a very long journey with many obstacles in our path. How could finding guidance be so difficult and locating the appropriate therapists next to impossible?!”

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