

# **SENSORY INTEGRATION/PROCESSING**

What is *Sensory Processing*?

It is the process by which our brain takes in sensory input and interprets this information for use.



*Sensory Processing Abilities* are used for:

- ✓ Motor Skills Development
- ✓ Focusing/Attending
- ✓ Social Interactions
- ✓ Learning

A disruption in the loop of intake, organization, or output of this neurological process can **negatively** impact physical, emotional, learning development and behavior.

“The brain locates, sorts, and orders sensations—somewhat as a traffic policeman directs moving cars. When the flow of sensations is disorganized, life can be like a rush hour traffic jam.” (A. Jean Ayres, PhD, OTR, FAOTO)

Children who struggle with Autism, ADD, and learning difficulties often struggle with sensory motor processing. It is important to get to the real underlying/foundational issue.

Occupational therapists are specialists in supporting children with sensory processing challenges. A Sensory Integration/Sensory Processing Disorder is difficult for an untrained eye to diagnose.

Ask a Child Success Center Occupational Therapist for early detection **red** flags.



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