



# Have a Say in the Debate about Medication

**Are you an adult with an Autism Spectrum Disorder?**

**Or**

**Are you a care-giver of a child or adult with an  
Autism Spectrum Disorder?**

Dr Jane McGillivray and Belinda Minett from Deakin University are conducting a study about the individuals and care-giver's perspectives of medication to manage behaviour and emotions associated with Autism. There has been lots of debate about the use of medication by people with autism spectrum disorder. However, little is known about the perspectives of people with ASD.

In this study, we want to find out what you think about medication. Do you take it, what do you take and why, how do you feel about it. What you have to say is important to discussions about the best treatment alternatives for managing the conditions associated with ASD. Your answers are anonymous, so you can say what you want.

***What will you be asked to do:*** If you agree to participate in this study, you will be asked to complete an online or paper questionnaire that will take approximately 20 minutes. Your involvement is voluntary and your responses will be anonymous. The link for the online version of the study is

<http://www.deakin.edu.au/psychology/research/autismstudy>

You can request a paper version to be sent to you by contacting Belinda and Jane on the details below. A copy of group findings will be made available to participants upon request.

***How to get involved?*** If you would like to participate, or if you wish to obtain further information about this research please contact Jane McGillivray Ph: 03 9244 6426 or Belinda Minett email: [bami@deakin.edu.au](mailto:bami@deakin.edu.au)