

WPS ADOS-2 Training:

1. Nature of the training. WPS offers in-person and video-based clinical training on the Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS-2). The ADOS-2 is an advanced clinical instrument used in the diagnosis of autism. It can be used with a range of individuals, including those as young as 12 months of age who have no spoken language up through verbally fluent adults. It is recommended that all professionals using the ADOS-2 for clinical purposes first attend either an in-person clinical workshop (offered through WPS as the "ADOS-2 Clinical Workshop") or complete the video-based training (offered through WPS as the "ADOS-2 DVD Training Package").
2. Training details:
 - a. Trainer. All WPS-sponsored ADOS-2 Clinical Workshops are taught by qualified Independent Trainers. Independent Trainers are professionals who have completed the initial clinical and research trainings on the ADOS-2, established reliability on the instrument, and completed additional training through the Center for Autism and the Developing Brain (CADB) or another approved group. The ADOS-2 DVD Training Package was created by professionals with extensive experience in the ADOS-2, including ADOS-2 authors and independent trainers.
 - b. Trainees. Any individual who intends to use the ADOS-2 for diagnostic purposes must have the necessary qualifications. In most locations, this requires a doctoral-level education and state licensure as an independent practitioner. The ADOS-2 can also be used for purposes other than making a diagnosis. ADOS-2 examiners should have prior education, training and experience in the use of individually administered test batteries and a background in and experience providing professional services to individuals with ASD. Individuals who meet these qualifications may attend an ADOS-2 Clinical Workshop or complete the ADOS-2 DVD Training Package. Other professionals who provide services to individuals with ASD, but who do not intend to use the ADOS-2 in practice, may also benefit from the training, as it may improve their understanding of the ADOS-2 to make better use of reports and recommendations that other professionals make on the basis of ADOS-2 results.
 - i. WPS-sponsored ADOS-2 Clinical Workshops can accommodate approximately 100 trainees. The DVD Training Package can be used to train multiple professionals working at the same location.
 - c. Frequency. WPS-sponsored ADOS-2 Clinical Workshops are held throughout the year at a variety of locations around the USA.
 - d. Train the Trainer. CADB offers a pathway for individuals to become ADOS-2 Independent Trainers. WPS is not involved in the training or identification of Independent Trainers.
 - e. Manual. The ADOS-2 Manual can be purchased from WPS, along with the other necessary assessment materials.
3. Evidence-base. There is extensive research evidence supporting the use of the ADOS-2 for diagnostic purposes. Information can be found in the ADOS-2 Manual and in the scholarly research literature.
4. Cultural adaptation. The ADOS has been translated into many different languages and is used around the world for autism diagnosis. Many ADOS-2 translations are underway and several are available as well. WPS only provides

training materials in English, however, our international publishing partners sponsor trainings in other languages.

5. Contact information. Additional information about training is available on the WPS website (www.wpspublish.com) and by contacting WPS at courses@wpspublish.com