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Background. Autism spectrum disorders (ASD) are a group of biologically based chronic neurodevelopmental disorders characterized by impairments in two major domains: 1) deficits in social communication and social interaction and 2) restricted repetitive patterns of behavior, interests and activities. The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM-5) is the 2013 update to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, the taxonomic and diagnostic tool published by the American Psychiatric Association (APA). In the United States, the DSM serves as the principal authority for psychiatric diagnoses. Treatment recommendations, as well as payment by ... Purposes of Language Assessment. Differential Diagnosis - It is necessary to determine whether a patient's language dysfunction is aphasia or something else. *British Journal of Disorders of Communication* 24, 107-121 (1989) © The College of Speech Therapists, London. Autism, Asperger's syndrome and semantic-pragmatic ... - Communicative Disorders: An Appraisal