

***THIS STUDY NO LONGER RECRUITING***

**Name of Study:** A Multi-Site Randomized Clinical Trial of the Hanen More Than Words Intervention

**Location:** May Center for Child Development, Randolph, MA

**Eligibility Criteria:** Children ages 15-24 months old who have or are at risk for an Autism Spectrum Disorder

**Principal Investigator:** Dr. Alice Carter

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Dear Parent,

I am writing to offer your family an opportunity to participate in a research study looking at the effectiveness of a parent-focused intervention, called the Hanen More Than Words method. For this study we are recruiting children ages 15-24 months old, who have or are at risk for an Autism Spectrum Disorder.

This study is directed by Dr. Alice Carter of the University of Massachusetts Boston and will be held at the May Center for Child Development in Randolph, Massachusetts. It involves three 2 hour testing sessions for your child, which will assess your child's development in the areas of language, social communication, and autism symptoms. We will also ask you to complete a questionnaire booklet prior to at each assessment session. Approximately half of participating families will be invited to participate in eight Hanen More Than Words parent training sessions and three in-home consultations. The training sessions and consultations are provided by a certified speech and language pathologist.

Travel reimbursement and \$225 as a token of our appreciation for taking the time to complete the three assessment visits and booklet will be offered. Moreover, each participant will receive a written report on completion of the third testing session, describing our assessment of your child's cognitive skills and autism symptoms.

If you are interested in participating in this study, then please contact me at (617) 287-6313 or at [Angelina.Rayno@umb.edu](mailto:Angelina.Rayno@umb.edu). Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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