



Autism Friendly Communities Disclaimer

1. The identification of an Autism Friendly entity is through a combination of self-reporting and community member reporting to the Autism Society of Greater Wisconsin that the entity is autism friendly.
2. If an individual informs the Autism Society of Greater Wisconsin of a concern they have regarding the entity being Autism Friendly, assuming the concern has validity, either the local affiliate and/or the Autism Society of Greater Wisconsin will need to look into the concern and respond to the individual voicing the concern. Based on the review, the following may occur: There was no issues of concern determined by the Autism Society and/or the affiliate; there was an issue of concern noted and the business has agreed to address that concern; the issue is of such great concern that the entity will have its name removed as being Autism Friendly until the issue is determined resolved by the Autism Society and/or the local affiliate.
3. The Autism Society understands that each business encounters different issues related to becoming Autism Friendly. One business could be by a busy street with a lot of noise, while another may operate in an area with little traffic and therefore little noise thus each situation that might need to be addressed to be Autism Friendly could be different. The Autism Society recognizes that the criteria developed for defining an entity as being Autism Friendly is not a complete list of every possible need that must be addressed to be autism friendly, but rather a it is criteria meant to help an entity be more responsive to customers with autism. The goal is to constantly improve the autism friendly environment.
4. To be Autism Friendly also must mean that all employees of a business are respectful and value the customer who has an autism diagnosis. Any business that has been identified as being Autism Friendly which is found to treat an individual with an autism diagnosis with anything less than full respect and value will have its name removed as an Autism Friendly entity.
5. The Autism Society of Greater Wisconsin assumes no liability or risk associated with its listing and identification of businesses that are self-reported as being Autism Friendly. The Autism Society encourages and requests each individual using the services of any autism friendly identified business to make their own decision as to whether or not to use the services of the business. Additionally, since no two people will react the same to any of the sensory responsive and other efforts of a business to be Autism Friendly, the Autism Society encourages the user of the business to first determine if the environment presented is responsive to the specific needs of the individual.