

Meeting of the IACC

IACC Business

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Responsibilities under CAA

- Coordinate HHS activities
- Advise HHS Secretary Sebelius
- Establish autism research priorities
 - **IACC Strategic Plan for ASD Research**
- Communicate advances in the field
 - **IACC Summary of Advances in ASD Research**
- Monitor Federal activities and research trends
 - **IACC ASD Research Portfolio Analysis Report**
- Serve as a forum for public discussion



Strategic Plan for ASD Research

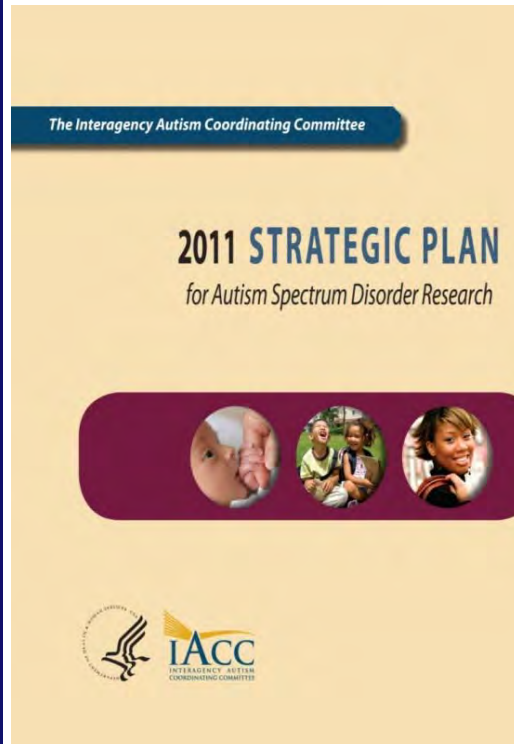
The IACC does not fund research, but encourages federal agencies and private organizations that fund ASD research to use the Strategic Plan in charting the course for new research

Purpose:

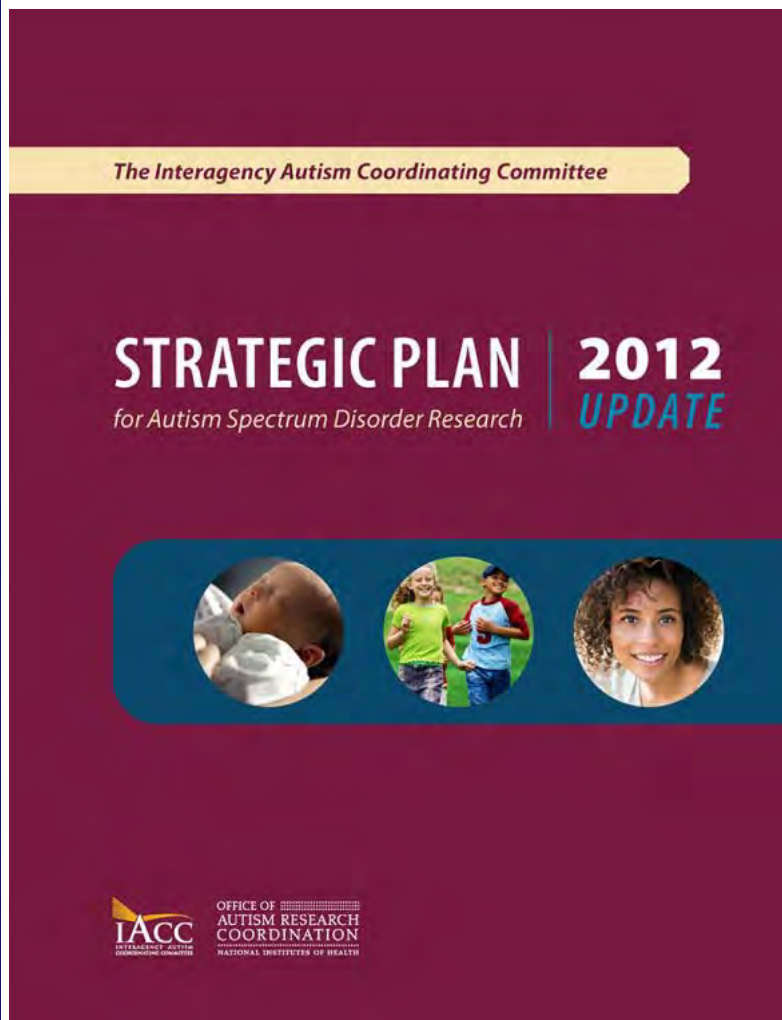
- Focus, coordinate, and accelerate high quality research
- Answer the urgent questions of families and individuals affected by ASD

2011 Strategic Plan:

- 78 research objectives
- New objectives in 2011 included nonverbal ASD, health promotion and safety



New! IACC Strategic Plan – 2012 Update



Update on progress made in 2011 and 2012

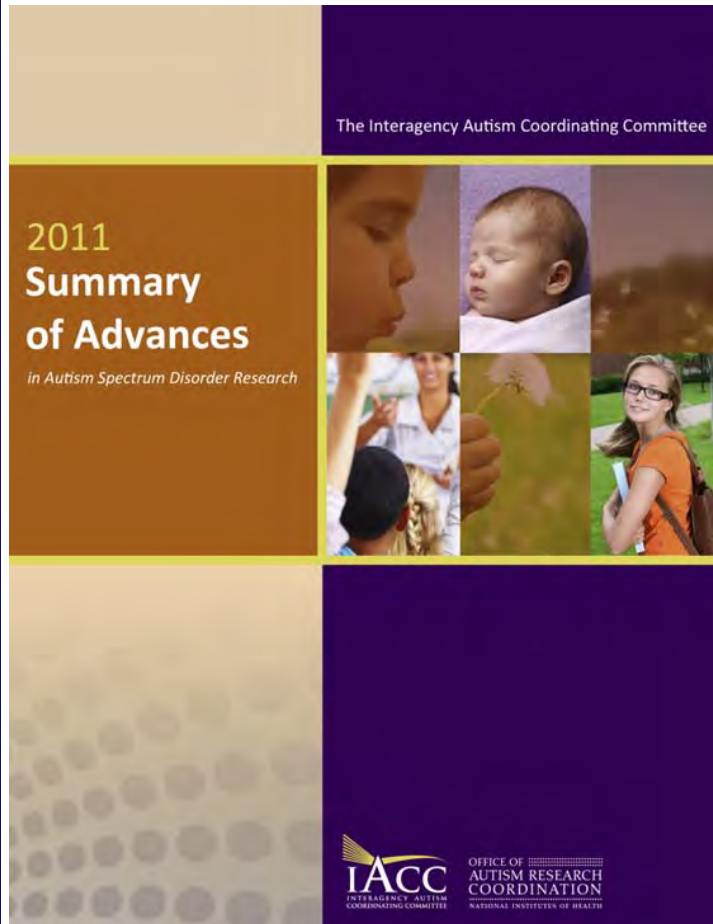
Answers the questions:

- “What do we know?”
Summary of progress in each of the 7 critical Question areas of the IACC Strategic Plan
- “What do we need?”
Describes remaining gaps, emerging issues and new opportunities

2013 Strategic Plan Update

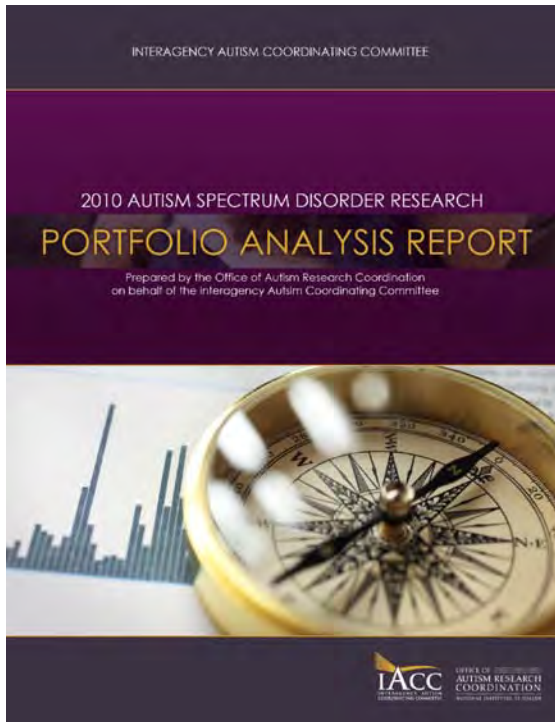
- What kind of product?
- What process to use?
- Timeline?

IACC Summary of Advances



- Conducted on a yearly basis
- Lay-friendly summaries of the 20 most significant advances in ASD biomedical and services research
- Publications included are selected by the IACC
- New insights into ASD:
 - Prevalence
 - Diagnosis
 - Biology
 - Risk factors
 - Interventions
 - Lifespan issues

IACC ASD Research Portfolio Analysis



- Assists the IACC in fulfilling the CAA requirement to monitor Federal activities related to Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Provides comprehensive analysis of the ASD research portfolio across both Federal agencies and private organizations
- Informs the IACC and stakeholders about the funding landscape and current directions in ASD research
- Helps the IACC monitor progress in fulfilling the objectives of the IACC Strategic Plan
- Highlights gaps and opportunities to guide future activities

CAA Report to Congress



- 2011 report coordinated by OARC on behalf of the HHS Office of the Secretary
- Content included:
 - Information on HHS and Department of Education agencies and programs related to autism research and services
 - Agency budget figures
 - Progress on:
 - Prevalence
 - Age of diagnosis and intervention
 - Adult services

Next report due September 2013

Other Activities?

Other Activities that can contribute to the IACC's fulfillment of roles and responsibilities:

- **Interagency coordination**
- **Communicating/public forum regarding changes in the field or emerging issues**
- **Advising**



All IACC publications and more information about the IACC are available at:

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