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## AUTISM RESOURCE LIBRARY AVAILABLE TO GENERAL PUBLIC

The Resource Library at Ontario ARC houses books, professional journals, DVDs, and sensory toys now available to borrow

**CANANDAIGUA, NY** – The Resource Library at The Autism Center at Ontario ARC is now open to the general public. Its wide collection of books, journals, DVDs and sensory toys are available to borrow by registering with The Autism Center.

"There is definitely a need for books and other informative materials that will help families understand autism spectrum disorders," says Noreen Quinn, senior associate executive director of Ontario ARC. "Our Resource Library is a great place for families to start when a loved one is diagnosed with autism. We have items of interest for moms, dads and siblings as well as professionals."

Books are available to borrow for two weeks and DVDs are available for a one week period. Internet access and a television with DVD player is also available at the library. The library's regular hours are 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. It will host extended summer hours from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m. on July 12, 19 and 26.

## Among the library's collection are:

- Special Children, Challenged Parents: The Struggles and Rewards of Raising a Child with a Disability by Robert A. Naseef, Ph.D.
- The Game of My Life: A True Story of Challenge, Triumph and Growing Up Autistic by Jason "J-Mac" McElwain
- *Temple Grandin* the HBO biopic featuring Claire Danes as renowned Dr. Temple Grandin and her challenges growing up with autism.
- House Rules by Jodi Picoult, a fictional account of a teenager with Asperger's Syndrome and his experience with the legal system.

The Autism Center and its Resource Library are located within Ontario ARC's Main Facility in the Ontario County Complex. For more information, contact The Autism Center at (585) 919-2188 or <a href="mailto:theautismcenter@ontarioarc.org">theautismcenter@ontarioarc.org</a>.