



Action for Autism

ACTION FOR Autism (AFA) is the only centre in the country providing training facility to teachers to deal with autistic children. It runs a training centre for children and adolescents with autism known as the Open Door Teaching Methods Training Centre. Open Door adheres to a philosophy of acceptance of a child's behaviour and the use of highly individualised, structured programme with each child. It runs a unique experimental school exclusively for autistic children, that acts as a training and observation ground for parents and professionals.

At the Centre, teachers are trained to be comfortable with the principles and practices of three international methods for working with persons with autism. Teachers are also trained to approach students with a transdisciplinary approach. Along with special education, they gain knowledge of behaviour modification, social development, language development and family counselling.

An attractive feature of AFA is the Home Based Management Programmes that are schedules and plans designed by the parent and an AFA consultant together.

The focus is on dealing with autism in one's own cultural context while simultaneously including information from around the globe.