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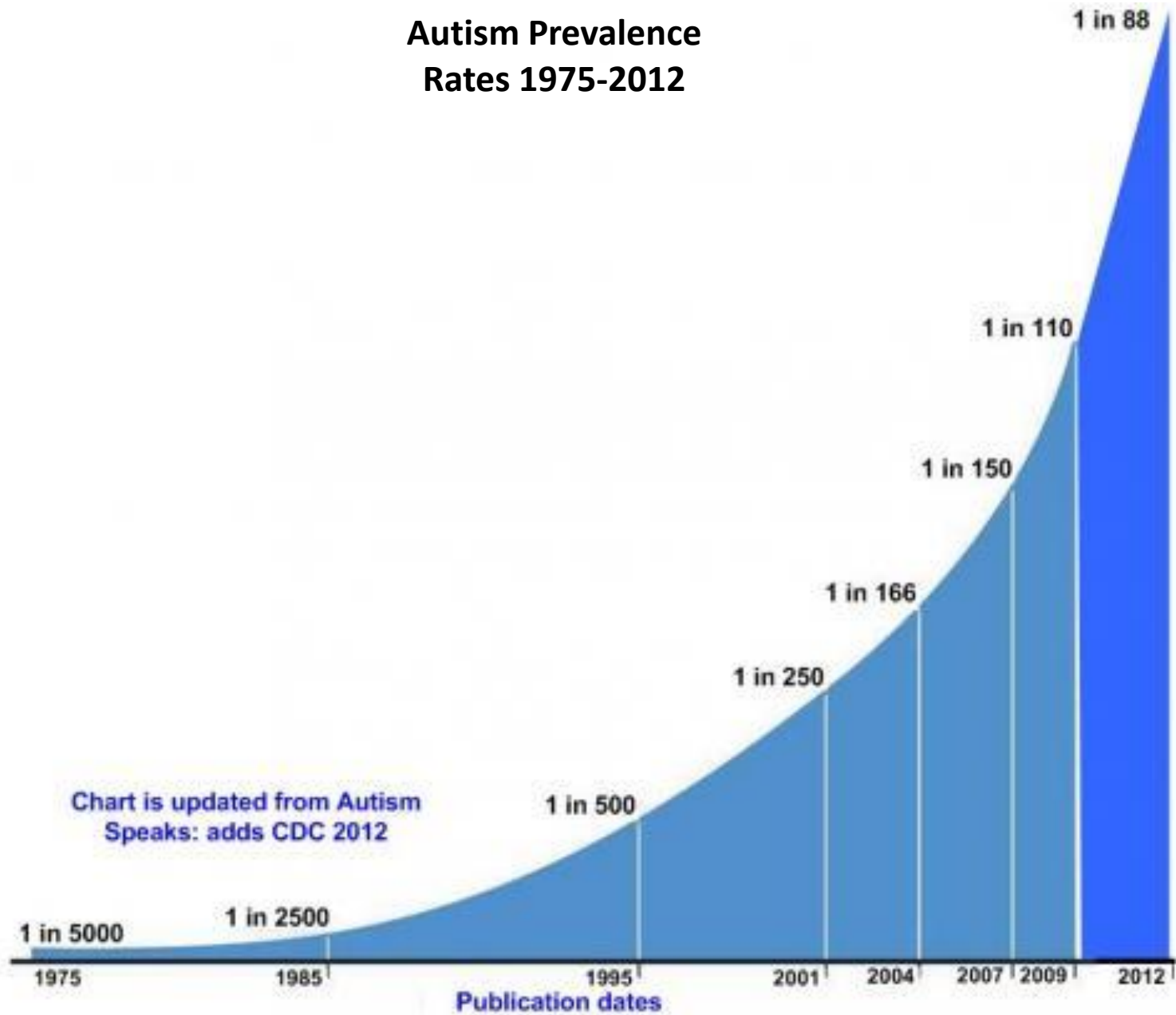
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LIFE-LONG BUDDY PROJECT

Autism Prevalence Rates 1975-2012



Service Gaps

- Transitions are difficult for everyone. It is especially hard for autistic individuals who often rely on routines to better navigate situations.
- Most services are for children and teens; providing services for young adults is 'going above and beyond' and is not required by law.

Service Gaps

- People and families around the world are concerned for what the future holds for individuals with autism.
- Autistic individuals are treated at two extremes. This is not fair to people who are in the middle.

Our Core Values

- We believe that every individual has inherent worth and dignity.
- Individuals with autism have many valuable skills and abilities; they have potential.
- These people deserve the support and guidance to fulfill their potential.

Our Mission

- Our mission is to provide a platform to encourage people from all walks of life to learn from each other, and to support each other.
- Fill in service gaps to support autistic individuals during adult life.
- Make services available and accessible.

Our Mission

- Facilitate greater involvement and ownership of support services by the individual receiving them.
- Our services will focus on individuals' strengths

Our Mission

- Ultimately, we want to equip autistic individuals with the skills and resources to allow them to share their skills and ideas with the world.

Our Services

- Standard academic preparation for higher education institutions
- Social preparation for education institutions
- Vocational assessment through ACMES partner
- Job Placement, and Life Long Job Coaching
- Community/Friendship/Dating outings and shared interest gatherings
- Online Need to Service matching

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Conclusion

- Although adapting to changes is harder for individuals with ASD, it is certainly attainable if they are supported by family, friends, and the community at large.
- With aid and encouragement, they can achieve their full potential and maximum quality of life, and our life-long buddy team wants to be there for them each step of the way.

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