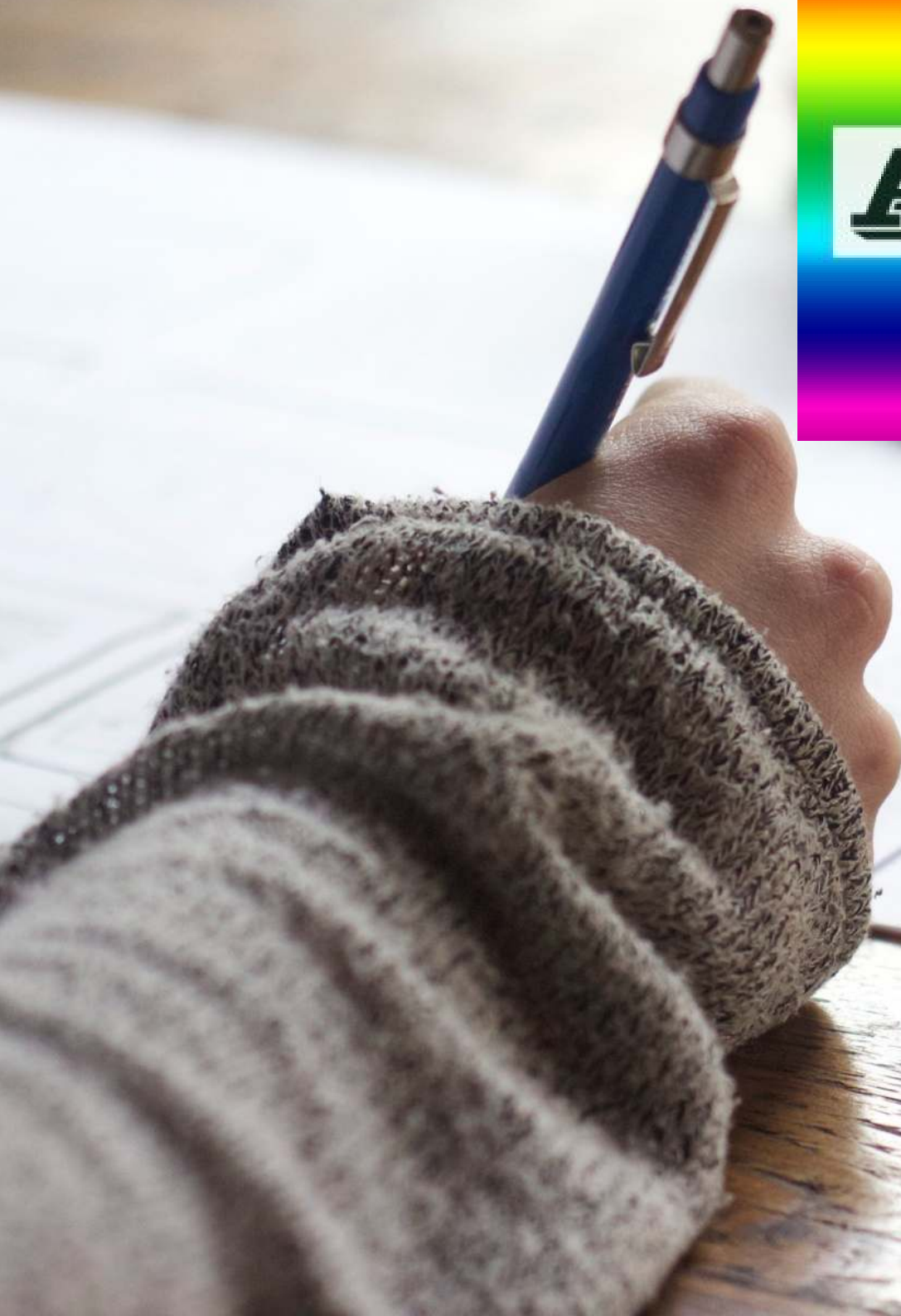


What Autism Is Not



Autism is not a disability in itself however being around people that don't support you also could potentially disable you. A person can have multiple disabilities that go with autism but not all autistic people class autism as a disability.



Autism is not a disease that needs to be cured. You may have read articles contrary to this, but it is very insulting to say that to most autistic people.

Autism is not a Mental Health condition. Whilst autism often coexists with mental health conditions, it isn't one in of itself.

Autism is not a learning difficulty/disability. Similar to mental health conditions, these can occur alongside autism.

Autism is not a disorder. This word implies that it is wrong or bad to be autistic. Whilst it has challenges, it is not bad to be autistic.

Autism is not a mental retardation or a lack of intelligence. This is simply just not true.

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