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**Center for Autism Ranked in Top Three Non-Governmental Organizations Providing
Largest Financial Support to Autism Research**

The U.S Department of Health and Human Services' Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee ranks the Center for Autism and Related Disorders in the top three non-governmental financial supporters of autism research in the United States.

NATIONWIDE July 18, 2011 -- The Center for Autism and Related Disorders, Inc. (CARD), one of the world's largest autism treatment centers that provide state-of-the art therapy, has been named one of the top three largest non-governmental financial supporters of autism research in the United States, and the only for-profit organization in the top three-tier ranking. The research findings come from the U.S Department of Health and Human Services' Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC), whose mission is to provide a blueprint for autism research that is advisory to the Department of Health and Human Services and serves as a basis for partnerships with other agencies and private organizations involved in autism research and services.

"It's a great honor to have our enduring commitment to research recognized at the highest level," says Jonathan Tarbox, PhD, BCBA-D, CARD Director of Research and Development. "The vast majority of our research is on applied behavior analysis (ABA) methods of assessment and treatment. Our team's approach also includes any topic which may hold promise for producing information that could improve the lives of individuals with autism."

CARD's research department is committed to the scientific method as the only valid approach to evaluating treatment for autism. The team's mission is to conduct empirical research on the assessment and treatment of autism and to disseminate research findings and derived technology through publication and the education of both professionals and the public.

For more information about the CARD research department, visit: <http://centerforautism.com/research-mission.php>.

About the Center for Autism and Related Disorders:

The Center for Autism and Related Disorders (CARD) has earned a reputation as one of the world's largest and most experienced organizations effectively treating children with autism, Asperger's syndrome, PDD-NOS, and related disorders. Following the principles of applied behavior analysis, CARD develops individualized treatment plans for each child, and provides autism services around the globe.

For more information about CARD, visit www.centerforautism.com .

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