



**Change
the game !**

National Strategy for Autism 2018-2022

The measures contained in the 2018-2022 Autism Strategy

On Friday 6 April 2018, Prime Minister Edouard Philippe and Sophie Cluzel, Secretary of State for Persons with Disabilities, presented the Strategy for Autism in Neurodevelopmental Disorders (NDs) 2018-2022. Based on scientific research and diagnosis, these announcements are the result of a wide-ranging consultation process initiated by the President of the Republic at the Elysée Palace in July 2017.

The Strategy for Autism in Neurodevelopmental Disorders (NDs) 2018-2022

Taking into account the entire life course of individuals, from infancy to adulthood, this new strategy for autism seeks to put science at the heart of public policy on autism in order to combat misconceptions and stereotyping. Early diagnosis to limit additional disabilities is also at the heart of this strategy.

To this end, the Prime Minister and Sophie Cluzel presented **5 key commitments**:

- **Commitment 1:** to strengthen research and training
- **Commitment 2:** to implement the early interventions prescribed by the best practice recommendations
- **Commitment 3:** to ensure effective schooling for children and young people
- **Commitment 4:** to foster adult inclusion
- **Commitment 5:** to provide support for families

In total, **20 concrete measures** implementing this new autism strategy were announced.