



The College of Behavioral and Community Sciences  
Department of Child and Family Studies  
University of South Florida

## Center for Autism and Related Disabilities at the University of South Florida

### Constituency Board Candidate Form

**Personal Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to individual with ASD: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional skills or training: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

How will joining the CARD Constituency Board benefit you?: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Special interests and related experiences: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Previous Boards, social service agencies, or community groups with which you have served: (Please give names, dates of service, and types of activities.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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## II. Purpose:

The purpose of CARD is to provide services to individuals with the diagnoses of autism, pervasive developmental disorder, autistic-like disability, dual sensory impairment or sensory impairment with other disabling conditions. The mission of this Constituency Board is to provide advice on policies, priorities and activities regarding the implementation of the CARD Program in this catchment area.

The Constituency Board meets once quarterly for approximately two hours; can you regularly attend this meeting (usually held at USF Tampa offices)?  Yes  No

Could you, on occasion, give additional time to the Constituency Board?  
Yes, approximately  hours/month;  No

In addition to attendance and participation in Board Meetings, members will be encouraged to work on committees. Below is a potential committee structure with a brief statement of purpose. From time to time, special or ad hoc committees will be established to meet specific needs or work on particular projects.

Please check area of primary interest:

**A. Education/Advocacy:** To promote and pursue equitable treatment and improved quality of life for those with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), increase awareness of and educate the community about ASD.

**B. Fundraising:** To develop opportunities for programs or activities that financially benefits the work of USF CARD.

**C. Publications:** To inform the CARD USF social media/marketing community partners, CARD constituents, and the community at large of the accomplishments and activities of CARD.

## III. Other areas of interest (Please check.)

- Legislative Education  
 Administrative Projects  
 Public Speaking  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

## IV. Commitment (Please check one.)

I am interested in serving on the Constituency Board and fulfilling the responsibilities of that function for a full term of office (2 years).

I am interested in serving solely as a committee member at this time (see II, A-C)

I am interested in working with the Constituency Board in a specific area or on specific projects (see III).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please return to:  
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