

# A Fresh Approach to Autism



## “The Time for Autism Awareness has Passed, Now is the Time for Autism Acceptance and Action!”

-Jeanne Beard

**Jeanne Beard** is a thought leader in the autism arena. The founder of the National Autism Academy, a speaker, coach, consultant, and author of Autism & The Rest of Us: How to Sustain a Healthy, Functional and Satisfying Life with a Person on the Autism Spectrum. Jeanne is a graduate of Northwestern University, and had a successful 30-year career in business to business sales. The mother of 2 sons, one diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder and one diagnosed with ADHD, Jeanne is certified as a life coach and dedicates her time to helping families find success, peace and inspiration in life with autism.

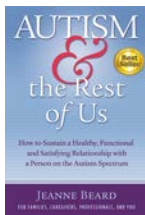


The NAA champions these beliefs:

Education and understanding is the solution to the autism dilemma faced today. Autism affects every member of a family. Focusing on and building on the individual's strengths is the key to success.

### Show and Story Ideas:

- **When HOPE is Not HELPFUL:**  
*Understand the rigors and repeated frustrations of raising a child with autism.*
- **When Diagnosing the Child Means Medicating Mom**  
*The tragic truth about the pain mothers of children with autism experience.*
- **Why Seeing a Therapist May Actually Slow Your Child's Progress**  
*Lack of education and experience amongst therapists is rampant!*
- **What Do You Do First When the Doctor Says AUTISM?**  
*2 Vital steps to survival and success!*
- **Why Parenting a Child on the Autism Spectrum May Be Easier than Parenting a Neuro-typical Child**  
*3 reasons why a child with autism can be easier to parent!*
- **10 Things a Family With a Child on the Autism Spectrum Want You to Know**  
*What every mother feels about her life with autism and her child*
- **Is Autism the World's Most Misunderstood Diagnosis?**  
*The Assumption that Autism is a Disease that is curable is wrong!*



Jeanne has appeared on dozens of radio shows in many markets including iHeart Radio, Starcom Radio Network, KC Armstrong's WMAP, as well as being featured in the upcoming books by Jane Seymour, and the first edition of the "World's Most Amazing People" Book by KC Armstrong.

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