

# **Red flags of Sensory Processing Disorder**

If more than a few of the symptoms listed below fit your child, refer to the complete SPD Checklist.

#### Infants and toddlers

- \_\_\_\_\_ Problems eating or sleeping
- \_\_\_\_\_ Refuses to go to anyone but me
- Irritable when being dressed; uncomfortable in clothes
- \_\_\_\_ Rarely plays with toys
- Resists cuddling, arches away when held
- \_\_\_\_ Cannot calm self
- \_\_\_\_\_ Floppy or stiff body, motor delays

#### **Pre-schoolers**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Over-sensitive to touch, noises, smells, other people
- \_\_\_\_ Difficulty making friends
- Difficulty dressing, eating, sleeping, and/or toilet training
- Clumsy; poor motor skills; weak
- In constant motion; in everyone else's face and space
- \_\_\_\_\_ Frequent or long temper tantrums

## **Grade-schoolers**

- \_\_\_\_ Over-sensitive to touch, noise, smells, other people
- Easily distracted, fidgety, craves movement; aggressive
- \_\_\_\_ Easily overwhelmed
- \_\_\_\_ Difficulty with handwriting or motor activities
- \_\_\_\_ Difficulty making friends
- \_\_\_\_ Unaware of pain and/or other people

## Adolescents and adults

- \_\_\_\_ Over-sensitive to touch, noise, smells, and other people
- Poor self-esteem; afraid of failing at new tasks
- \_\_\_\_ Lethargic and slow
- Always on the go; impulsive; distractible
- \_\_\_\_ Leaves tasks uncompleted
- \_\_\_\_ Clumsy, slow, poor motor skills or handwriting
- \_\_\_\_ Difficulty staying focused
- \_\_\_\_ Difficulty staying focused at work and in meetings

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## To learn more about Sensory Processing Disorder

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