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April is World Autism Month

The Missouri Commission on Autism Update

Per House Bill 432, the Missouri Commission on Autism reconvened in January 2022 to produce an "Autism Roadmap for Missouri" encompassing the lifespan of a person living with autism. The roadmap shall discuss best practices for care and services within healthcare, education, vocational support, and community resources and highlight opportunities for improvement. The commission is currently drafting recommendations for Phase I and have started work on Phase II.

The commission is charged with addressing four phases:

- 1. Transitioning to adulthood
- 2. Early identification and intervention
- 3. Access to care
- 4. Challenging behavior and crisis care

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