Dear

We would like to invite you to attend autism awareness sessions, delivered by Ambitious about Autism (AAA) and the National Autistic Society (NAS), in partnership with the Department for Work and Pensions.

Attendees will gain an awareness of autism and some practical steps organisations can take to become more autism inclusive organisations.

Suggested attendance would be Managers / HR / Diversity and Inclusion colleagues who are able to influence an employers working practices and recruitment.

**Please note** this is a 2 hour time commitment as individuals should attend **both** dates and register using **both** links below.

We are looking forward to the sessions and hope your organisation can attend.

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| **AAA Session 1:** An Introduction to Autism  **26 February 2pm – 3pm** |
| * Terminology * What is autism / neurodiversity? * Challenges in the workplace * Talents and skill sets * Intersectionality * FILM: Lived experience * Practical tips and signposting * The Autism Covenant * Services available from Ambitious About Autism   **To register please visit the** [Registration Link](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/36e472cd-7787-4a5d-8070-30f10bd7349d@96f1f6e9-1057-4117-ac28-80cdfe86f8c3) |

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| **NAS Session 2:** Practical Autism Awareness  **5 March 2pm – 3pm** |
| * Identifying suitable roles, team stability, supportive line manager practices, working environment, flexible working options * Adaptations to the recruitment process autism friendly job adverts and interview and assessment processes * Job interviews * Reasonable adjustments / in work support * Advice and support for line managers * Services available from the National Autistic Society   **To register please visit the** [Registration Link](https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/a3238ca0-f794-4d48-a4e8-ff1aee0e69f8@96f1f6e9-1057-4117-ac28-80cdfe86f8c3) |

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

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