



NEURODIVERSITY

KEY TERMS

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Neurodivergent

Someone whose brain performs differently than what society considers the norm

Neurodiverse:

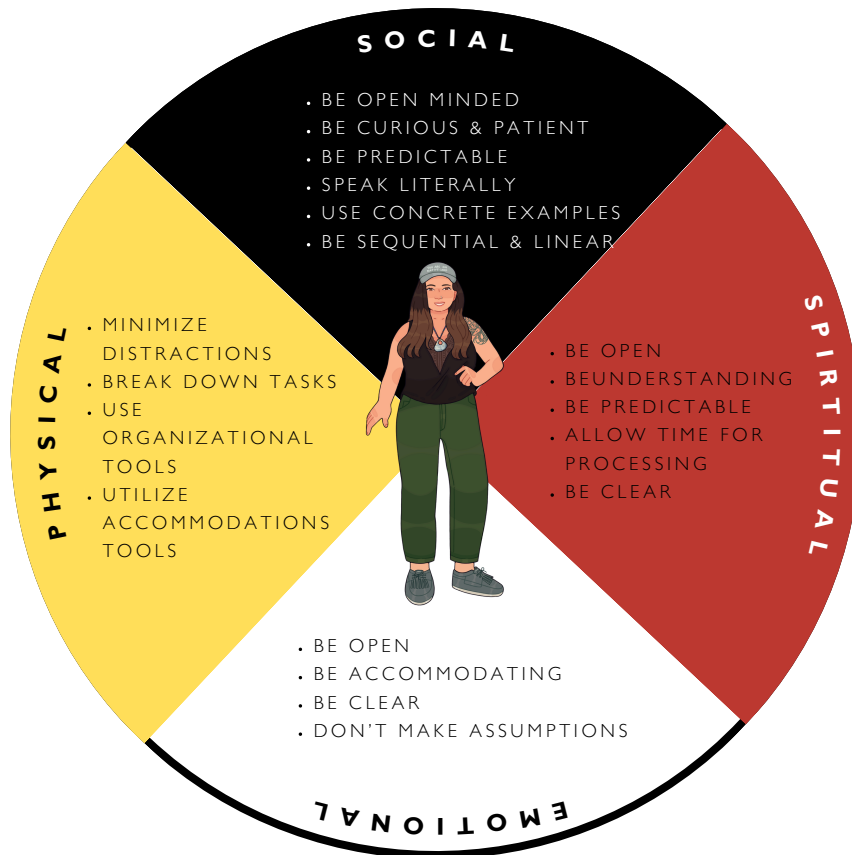
A group with both neurodivergent and neurotypical people

Neurotypical:

Someone whose brain functions in the way expected by society

Neurodiversity Movement:

A grassroots effort advocating for improvements in how neurodivergent people are viewed and treated in society



Holistic Neurodivergent Model



NEURODIVERSITY DEFINITIONS

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Autism

Characterized by deficits in social communication, and the presence of restricted interests and repetitive behaviors

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder:

Ongoing patterns of inattention and/or hyperactivity-impulsivity that interferes with functioning or development

Synesthesia

Where one property of a stimulus evokes a second sensory experience not associated with the primary sense

Tourette Syndrome:

Characterized by sudden, unwanted, and uncontrolled rapid and repeated movements or vocal sounds called tics

Sensory Processing Disorder:

Set of symptoms that affect the way individuals use sensory information for emotion regulation, motor performance, social interaction, and daily life functioning

Dyslexia

Characterized by difficulty in learning to decode (read aloud) and to spell

Dyscalculia:

Characterized by difficulty understanding arithmetic concepts and doing addition, multiplication, and measuring

Dysgraphia

Problems with handwriting, including trouble forming letters, writing within a defined space, and writing down thoughts

Dyspraxia

Impairment in the ability to plan and carry out sensory and motor tasks



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CURRICULA HIGHLIGHTS

The Healthy Native Youth website currently houses 19 culturally responsive evidence-based curricula designed to celebrate American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) youth of all ages.

You can compare curricula and download lessons at <https://www.healthynativeyouth.org/curriculum/>

Native It's Your Game 2.0

Middle school; flexible program setting

A Web based HIV, STI and pregnancy prevention curriculum for American Indian and Alaska Native youth ages 12-14.

<https://www.healthynativeyouth.org/curricula/native-its-your-game-2-0/>

Native Stand 2.0

high school; flexible program setting

Native Students Together Against Negative Decisions 2.0 (Native STAND 2.0) is a comprehensive sexual health curriculum for Native high school students that celebrates culture and identity.

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