

Sensory Integration Dysfunction Checklist

Children with Sensory Integration Dysfunction may present with many or some of these issues. If you are concerned about your child and they present with some of these symptoms, please contact your pediatrician as soon as possible.

- A child who **transitions poorly** to new environments, situations, or people.
- A child who is **overly sensitive** to touch, movement, sights, or sounds.
- A child who dislikes or **reacts adversely** when people touch him/her
- A child who **avoids** tactile activities.
- A child who **under reacts** to sensory stimulus; who are **oblivious** (or do not respond typically) to pain, temperature, or body position.
- A child who transitions poorly to new tastes and textures of foods.
- A child whose **activity level** is unusually high or unusually low. The child may be constantly on the move or be slow to activate and **easily fatigued**.
- A child who appears **clumsy**, who **stumbles** and **falls** more frequently than other children.
- A child who avoids gross motor activities. A child who seeks out gross motor activities and **cannot sit** for fine motor activities or table top activities.
- A child who is **fearful of movement** and tries to avoid swings, rides, etc.
- A child who demonstrates difficulties with **fine motor coordination, writing, and self-help** skills such as buttoning, tying shoes, etc.
- A child who has difficulty **listening** and paying attention or **attending** with competing stimuli.
- A child who has poor organization or behavior or adaptive skills. The child may be **impulsive**, or **easily distracted**, and shows a lack of planning in approach to tasks. The child may react with **frustration, aggression, or withdrawal**.
- A child who has a **poor self-concept**. A bright child may know these tasks are more difficult for him/her than for other children, but doesn't understand why. Such a child may appear **lazy, bored, or unmotivated**, or may figure out ways to avoid these hard or embarrassing tasks and become **troublesome or stubborn**.