

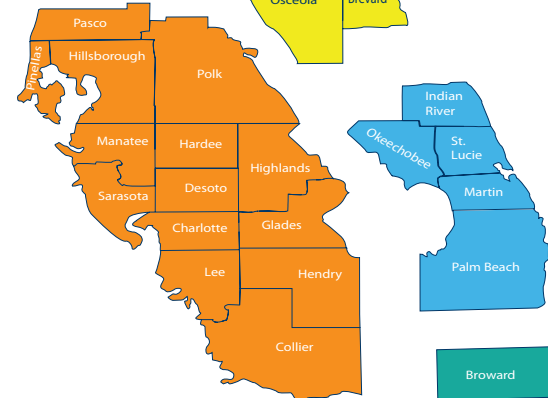
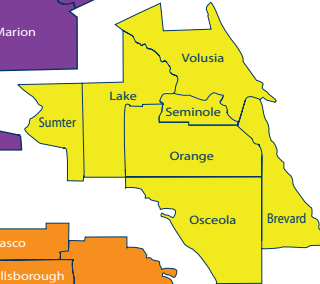
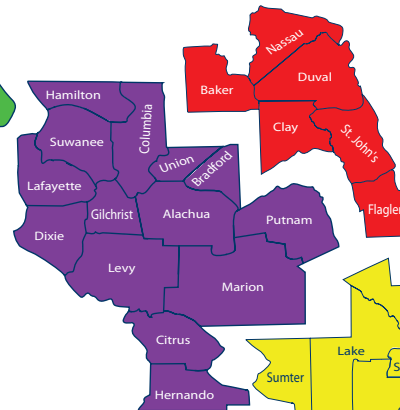
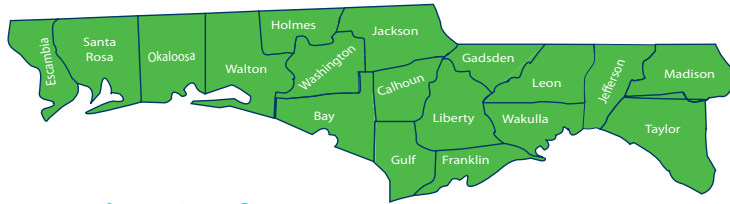
# UM NSU CARD

University of Miami / Nova Southeastern University

Center for Autism & Related Disabilities



UM-NSU CARD is dedicated to optimizing the potential of people with autism, dual sensory impairment and related disabilities



## What is UM-NSU CARD?

UM-NSU CARD is a comprehensive outreach and support program serving people with autism and related disabilities, their families, and the professionals who work with them. UM-NSU CARD operates under the supervision of a constituency board comprised of family members who help guide program policy priorities and activities. Although we are called a center, we are not a place where people come to receive direct services such as therapy or evaluations.

## Who is Eligible for CARD Services?

- Individuals of any age with any of the following disabilities:
  - ~ Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs)
  - ~ Dual Sensory Impairment
  - ~ Sensory Impairments with Other Disabling Conditions
- Family Members
- Agencies and/or professionals working with these individuals

## Florida CARD sites include:

University of Miami-Nova Southeastern University

- ~ Main Office, Coral Gables
- ~ NSU Satellite, Davie
- ~ MCH/Dan Marino Center Branch, Weston

Florida Atlantic University

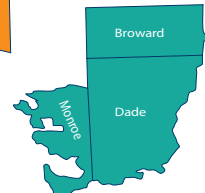
University of South Florida

University of Central Florida

University of Florida at Gainesville

University of Florida at Jacksonville

Florida State University



## What Services does CARD Provide?

- Individual and Family Support Services
- Program Consultation and Technical Assistance
- Parent and Professional Training
- Public Awareness & Community Outreach

All services are provided FREE of charge by highly qualified and trained professionals with extensive experience in the field.

## How are CARD Services Accessed?

- Contact your local CARD office to request assistance with your specific needs.
- Request UM-NSU CARD Newsletter with information on scheduled trainings, workshops, and support groups.
- Log on to our website at: [www.umcard.org](http://www.umcard.org) or [www.nsucard.org](http://www.nsucard.org) for more information about requesting services.

## What are Autism Spectrum Disorders?

Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASDs) are neurological disorders which affect an individual's ability to communicate and interact socially, and result in restricted interests and repetitive behaviors. ASDs include Autistic Disorder, PDD-NOS, Asperger's Disorder, Rett's Disorder, and Childhood Disintegrative Disorder.

## How is CARD Funded?

CARD is funded by the Florida Legislature through the State Department of Education. Supplemental funding for UM-NSU CARD comes from:

- Grants
- Donations
- Annual fundraising event "Tropical Nights"

## What are Related Disabilities?

- Dual Sensory Impairment: Individuals with both a significant hearing **and** vision impairment.
- Sensory Impairments with other disabling conditions: Individuals with either vision **or** hearing loss in addition to a developmental disability.

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