

# ZERO-BURDEN AUTISM DETECTION

Using machine-learning to enable earlier detection of Autism Spectrum Disorder, improving outcomes for patients and reducing the burden on health care providers and payers

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# THE PROBLEM

## AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER IS BEING DETECTED TOO LATE



***1 in 50***

Children and their families are profoundly affected by ASD



***50 months***

Median age of ASD diagnosis in the USA



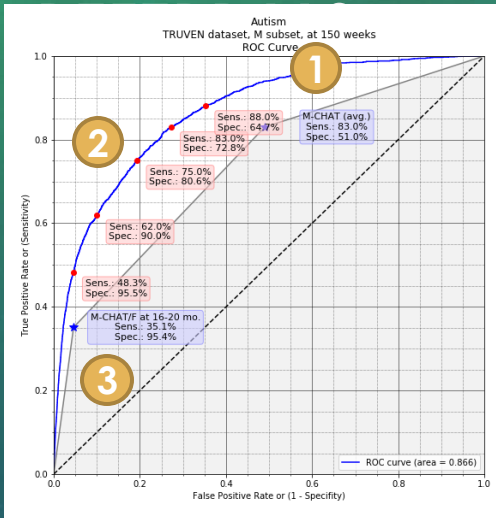
***>50%***

Not being diagnosed early enough to receive optimal care

### Sources:

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# OUR SOLUTION: THE TEST IS IMPLEMENTED USING THRESHOLDS THAT MAXIMIZE DETECTION WHILE LIMITING TOTAL



- 1 M-CHAT positive:  
Screens out ~40% of false positives keeping high fidelity (>95%)
- 2 M-CHAT negative with some concern:  
Detects >65% of patients with ASD
- 3 When M-CHAT is fully negative:  
Detects ~35% of patients with ASD

*Optimal test thresholds are identified based on sex and age of patient*

## Results – males, 30 months

Sensitivity  
**58.2%**  
(vs. 38.8%)

Specificity  
**95.1%**  
(vs. 94.8%)

Referrals  
**5.9%**  
(vs. 5.9%)

PPV  
**22.0%**  
(vs. 14.6%)

Sources:

M-CHAT based on data from CHOP analysis including prevalence of 2.2%