

## Request for thesis study participants to test the effectiveness of a behaviour treatment for caregiver separation

Children between the age of 3-6 with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), or dual diagnosis of ASD and Separation Anxiety Disorder (SAD) with an intellectual impairment

Child must have difficulty separating from their caregiver for no longer than 1 minute in the home environment

Study will take place in your home with a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst and doctoral student at The Chicago School of Professional Psychology

## **ABOUT THIS STUDY**

Looking for children with ASD or a dual diagnosis of SAD and ASD, with an intellectual impairment. Child participants should be between the age of 3-6 who have difficulty separating from their caregiver in the home environment when the caregiver is out of sight for a period no longer than one minute. Each child participant must have the ability to request for a caregiver's presence and follow simple instructions with or without pictures as cues.

The study will take place in your home or through an online video conference with a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst and doctoral student at The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, to test the effectiveness of a behaviour treatment for caregiver separation. The anticipated time commitment for participation in this study is 30 minutes, three times per week, for a maximum of eight weeks, with an approximate 1-hour screening procedure and orientation prior. All sessions will be recorded.

If you are interested in being provided with more information about this study, please email <a href="mailto:cembry@ego.thechicagoschool.edu">cembry@ego.thechicagoschool.edu</a>