

## **SUBMISSION FROM M CLIMIE**

1. I fully support the Autism Bill.
2. In my experience many children go through school then college undiagnosed. They are seen by many professional people, school psychologists, speech therapists, GPs and psychiatrists. They are misunderstood and abandoned and eventually left to social workers and the mental health services.
3. A late diagnosis means that these children have been unable to develop and this has been the cause of their mental health problems. Many adults do not get the appropriate support with help to improve their communication skills or social skills.
4. In my opinion adults on the autistic spectrum need supported housing to meet their specific needs.
5. There needs to be more awareness of this devastating condition and much more support for those suffering from it.

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