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# Autism diagnosis: A moving target

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In February of this year, a *Spectrum* feature dove deep at a clinic in Pennsylvania offering telehealth autism assessments for families with limited access to in-person services, a practice that was virtually nonexistent before the COVID-19 pandemic. Remote assessments mark just one of the latest developments in autism diagnosis, which has evolved almost continuously since Leo Kanner diagnosed Donald Triplett — who died this past June — as autism’s “case 1” in 1943. Here, we present some of our past coverage of the debates and challenges in identifying the condition.

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