



Obese Mothers' Children Might Face Higher Risk of Autism, Other Developmental Disorders

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When excessively overweight, diabetic or hypertensive pregnant women gave birth, their infants' chance of being autistic rose and so did the possibility their kids would have some other neurodevelopmental disorder, according to a study published in the journal [Pediatrics](#) and reported by [MSNBC](#).

In general, children with neurodevelopmental disorder experience difficulties with language and speech, motor skills, behavior, memory, learning or other neurological functions. Besides autism, neurodevelopmental disorders include certain intellectual and learning disabilities and attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

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