

Evidence-based practices

are intervention strategies that have been researched and shown to work.



Using evidence-based practices leads to **better outcomes** for autistic students.

However, educators don't always have **adequate training** to use these strategies.



CAPTAIN

The *California Autism Professional Training Information Network* is a state-wide network to encourage the use of evidence-based strategies in **education of autistic individuals**

Each year, CAPTAIN works with schools to have

200 trainers

provide instruction to nearly

20,000 educators

and individualized coaching to over

6,500 educators

Our recent study tested whether CAPTAIN's training helped educators use evidence-based practices more effectively.

We found that **educators trained by CAPTAIN**



were more likely to use strategies correctly

used strategies more often with students

had better ratings of classroom quality

had more in-depth knowledge of strategies



CAPTAIN is a promising model to support statewide use of better evidence-based strategies for autistic students.

Future studies will help us to evaluate how the use of these practices improves student outcomes.