





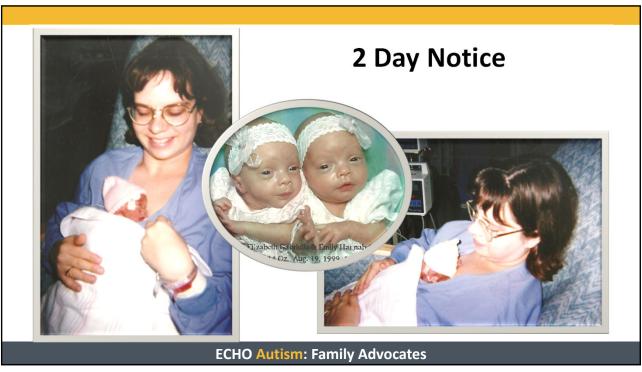
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### The Unknown Zone

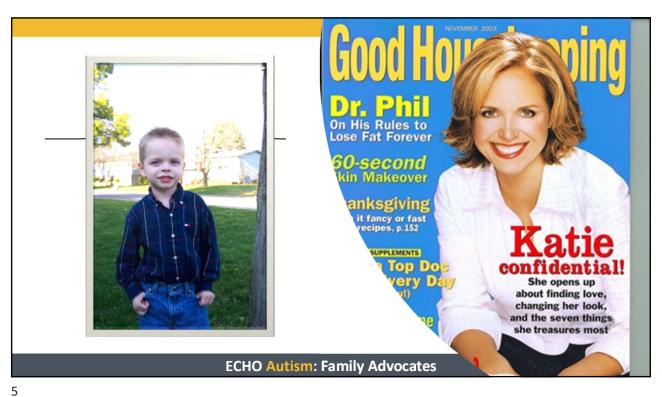
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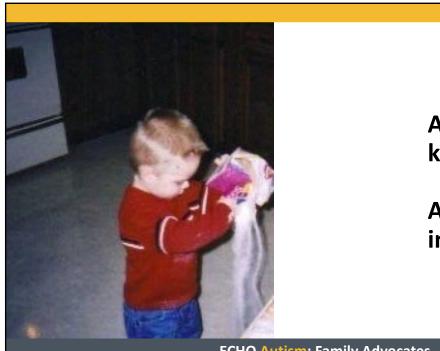
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Alicia likes to know things...

Alicia likes to be in control...

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A chronic sense of helplessness...



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One good piece of advice...

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I made a choice...



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## Not alone...

- Decreased parenting efficacy
- Increased parenting stress and mental and physical health problems
- Poorer psychological wellbeing and life satisfaction
- Greater prevalence of depression
- Chronic stress
- Less marital relationship satisfaction
- Greater general life stress and daily hassles

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