Altered Pain Response for Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) often have altered reactions to pain. They may also show behaviors where they are hurting themselves.

Altered Pain Responses

Diminished/Absent Pain Responses or Heightened Pain Responses

- Head-banging
- Ripping and scratching at skin
- Pulling out handfuls of hair
- Self-biting with no apparent pain
- Ripping and scratching at skin

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