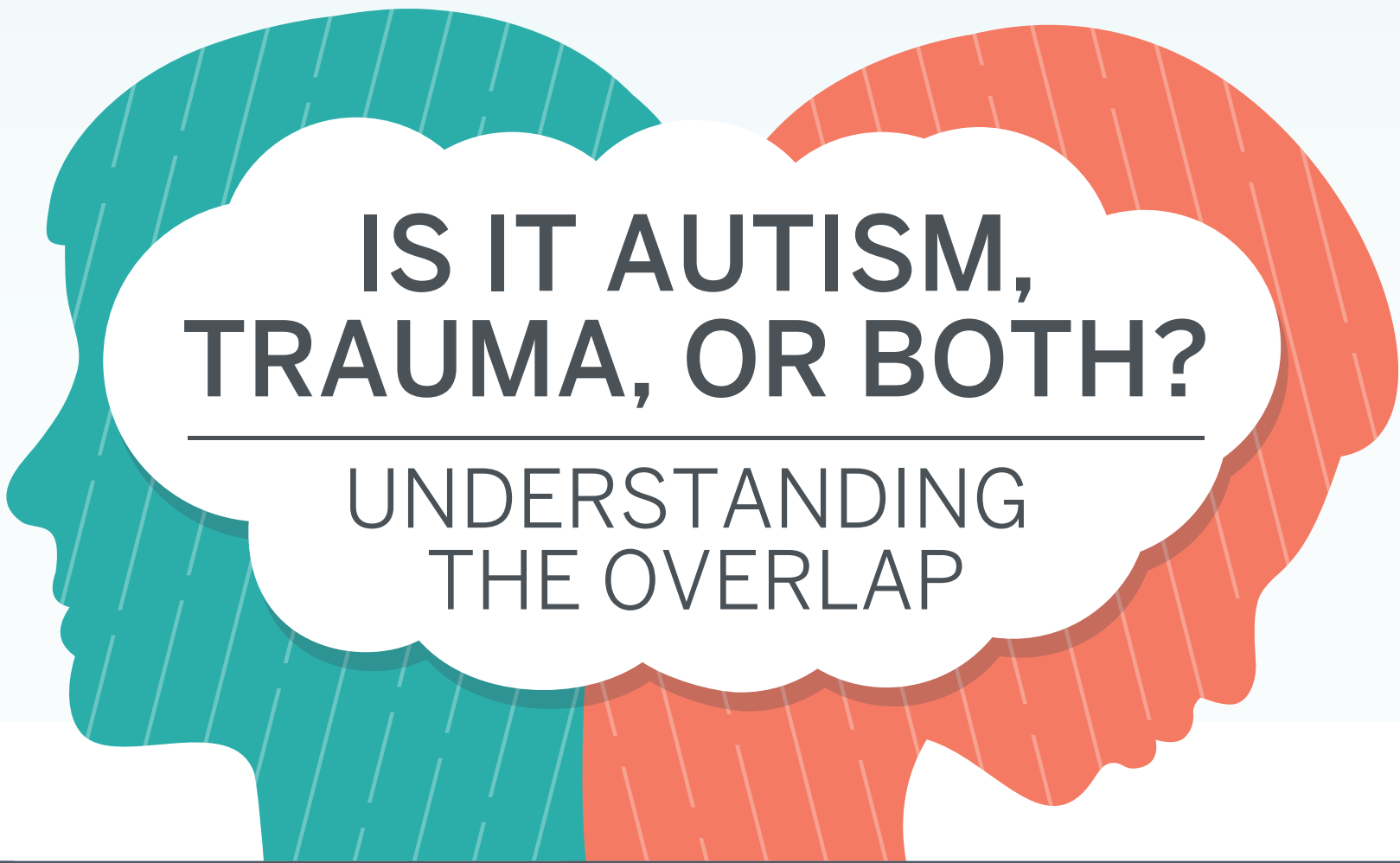


A child's development can be delayed by trauma, or the delay could be associated with autism. Sometimes, both are present. Trauma symptoms might be overlooked when autistic features are present, and autistic traits could be harder to notice with trauma symptoms.



AUTISM AND TRAUMA BOTH AFFECT:



Working Memory

- Retaining information during tasks



Attention

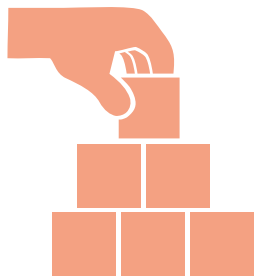
- Directing toward a specific focal point



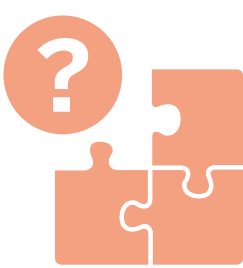
Planning

- Organizing and prioritizing tasks

TRAUMA CAN LEAD TO:



- Delayed, interrupted, or slowed motor skills, particularly with precise learning



- Difficulty learning new skills, and regression or loss of previously learned skills



- Precocious learning acceleration, or a developmental leap even if mentally or emotionally unprepared

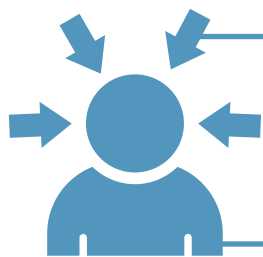
TRAUMA AND AUTISM CAN PRESENT SIMILARLY IN:



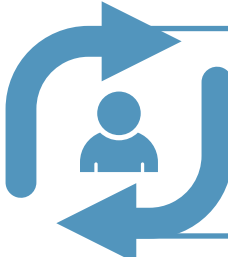
Anxiety & Depression Symptoms



Difficulty Interpreting the Feelings of Others



Sensory Over- or Under-sensitivities



Repetitive Play

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