CASE DEFINITION FOR MICRONUTRIENT DEFICIENCIES AND AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

a new diagnosis of one or more of the following micronutrient deficiencies:

Vitamin A deficiency/xerophthalmia
Scurvy
Severe, symptomatic vitamin D deficiency

Report all children and youth less than 18 years of age (up to their 18th birthday) with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) AND

Severe iron-deficiency anemia
The patient's ASD must have been diagnosed by a general paediatrician, developmental paediatrician, psychiatrist, or psychologist.

Appendix 1 contains definitions for the micronutrient deficiencies and laboratory reference ranges for your information.