

## Navigating Neurodiversity in Beauty & Wellness Businesses

## vagaro AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH SURVEY INSIGHTS

Vagaro surveyed beauty & wellness professionals. Here are the results.

**50%** of participants identified as neurodivergent or on the spectrum

**27%** of participants said they work on a team with a neurodivergent peer

**43%** of participants offer services specifically tailored to meet the needs of customers on the autism spectrum 56% of participants said technology & software like Vagaro is helpful in accomodating clients on the spectrum

## Helpful Advice from Business Pros

- Add a "chat or chill" sign to allow customers to choose what type of appointment they would prefer
- Make it clear that you provide a safe & nonjudgmental environment
- Remember that verbal instruction often doesn't work best for some of your clients on the spectrum
- Ask about sensory needs it will go a long way!

## How beauty & wellness professionals say software can improve accessibility

- Reduces the need to communicate verbally to book appointments
- Eliminates social pressure & improves flexibility when able to use mobile check-in
- Digital forms allow providers to proactively inquire about client accommodations & requests
- Streamlines communication with digital appointment reminders, enhancing organization in clients' routines

Participants said online resources also improve accessibility for neurodivergent professionals



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Sources: Vagaro Community, American Autism Association & National Autistic Society