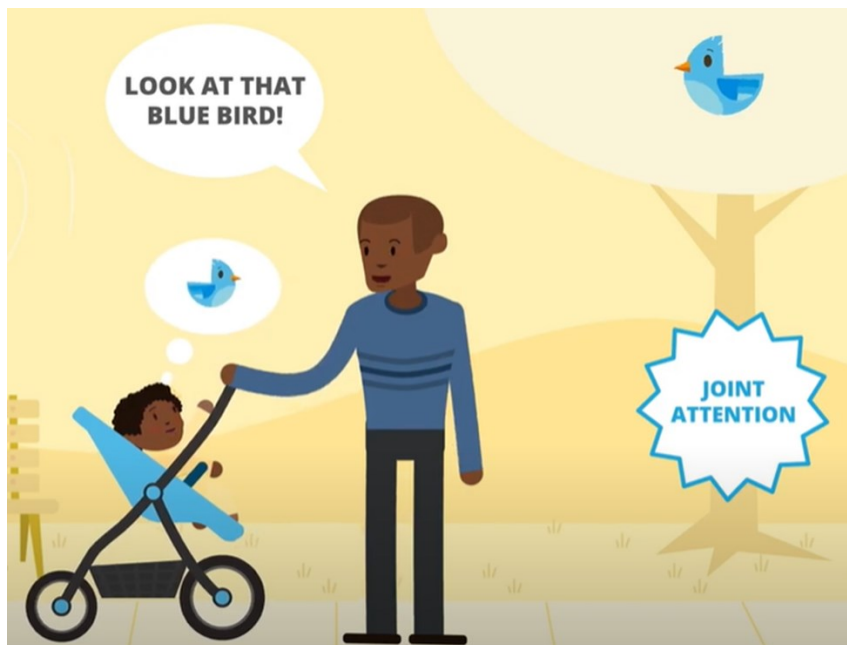


# Provider Tip of the Week

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## Joint Attention

You may know that **joint attention** is an important part of screening for autism, but it's also important to explain to parents why sharing attention and focus is an important part of communication. Try asking parents to notice whether their infant involves them in an activity, or if they can get their baby to look at something they point to. Encourage parents to practice this by sharing what they see, hear and experience throughout the day. This can be narrating what they see during a walk, pointing to objects in books as they read, or getting on the floor to participate in a baby's play.



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