

The Special Needs Child:
The Perspective of a Rabbi and Parent
With Rabbi Menachem Penner,
Dean of Rabbi Isaac Elchanon Theological Seminary
of Yeshiva University



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With Introductory Remarks from Sharon Shapiro,
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How can we, as Rabbis and Cantors, help families with special needs children and include individuals with different needs in our synagogues? Rabbi Menachem Penner, an experienced synagogue rabbi and seminary dean who is blessed with a 23 year old superstar son with autism will speak passionately and honestly from “both sides of the desk” - as rabbi and parent.

Biography:

Rabbi Menachem Penner is the Max and Marion Grill Dean of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary at Yeshiva University and the Men’s Undergraduate Torah Studies programs at Yeshiva University. Rabbi Penner also served as the spiritual leader of the Young Israel of Holliswood in Queens for eighteen years. Rabbi Penner received his semikha from RIETS in 1994 and his BA from Yeshiva College in 1991. The parent of a child with special needs, he speaks across the country on issues of children with disabilities.

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