

Center for Development and Learning



We are all born with great potential.
Shouldn't we all have the chance to achieve it?



Center for Development and Learning
at Kennedy Krieger Institute



Who We Are

The Center for Development and Learning is an outpatient medical program for the comprehensive evaluation and treatment of children and young adults who have problems in language development, attention, learning, behavior, or school adjustment.

“At Kennedy Krieger, they take care of the whole family. That support is one of the things that made us successful.”

– Laurie M., mother of Jessica

Who We Serve

The Center for Development and Learning serves children ages 2 through 21 with neurodevelopmental disabilities and behavioral disorders, including:

- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorders
- Autism spectrum disorders
- Behavioral disorders
- Communication, speech, or language disorders
- Intellectual disabilities
- Learning disorders

Our Clinical Services

Preschool Language Program

We offer evaluation and treatment services for children with a variety of disorders and delays, including speech and language delays, motor delays, social delays, generalized delays, and autism spectrum disorders. Evaluations typically include medical and neurologic examination, developmental testing, behavioral assessment, and psychosocial assessment. We provide families with the results and any therapeutic recommendations, so they may share them with their child's primary care provider or preschool. We also offer counseling and medication treatment for behavior disorders.

School Aged Program

The School Aged Program offers evaluation and treatment services to children and young adults experiencing problems with learning, attention, or behavior in school or at home. Through medical diagnosis, psychosocial assessment, and specialized educational assessment, we identify the area of difficulty as well as treatment and management approaches.

Medication Management Program

We offer services to school-age children in need of medication treatment because of problems with



attention or behavior in school or at home. Evaluations are available for medical diagnosis and for ongoing medication treatment for attention deficit hyperactivity disorders and related behavioral problems. Our providers are also available to address psychosocial concerns or provide assistance in identifying services.

Our Team

We have many dedicated professionals who provide our evaluations and interdisciplinary treatment services, including:

- Pediatricians and pediatric neurologists specializing in neurodevelopmental disabilities, as well as developmental and behavioral pediatrics
- Registered nurse practitioners certified in pediatrics

Our Treatment Approach

Testing and Evaluation

Every child receives a comprehensive initial evaluation or consultation that includes in-depth history, physical and neurologic examinations, and developmental and behavioral observation. Based on the nature and scope of the reported problems, each child will receive additional developmental and behavioral testing. If necessary, we may also recommend evaluation by related departments within the Kennedy Krieger Institute.

Recommendations and Referrals

After we identify the area of difficulty, we will make recommendations for medical, educational, and therapy needs. We may also provide recommendations for laboratory or radiology testing. Additionally, we will provide resource information and materials for assistance at home, in school, and in the community.

Follow-up

We offer appointments for medication treatment so we can monitor and review the effects of any medication prescribed. We provide follow-up when ongoing developmental observation or treatment is needed, and we may recommend additional treatment or therapy to assure the child's full potential is achieved.

Contact Information

For more information or to make an appointment, please call **443-923-9400**, or toll-free at **888-554-2080**.

TTY: **443-923-2645** or Maryland Relay **711**

Physicians & Healthcare Professionals

To make a referral, call our Physician Referral Line at **443-923-9403**.

Clinic Address:

801 North Broadway
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