THOMPSON AUTISM AND NEURODEVELOPMENTAL CENTER (TANC) REFERRAL GUIDELINES

AUTISM-SPECIFIC SERVICES

ASSESSMENT CLINIC
Provides diagnostic assessment of children 6 years or younger who present with a concern of ASD.
• Currently accepting referrals from CHOC physicians.
• Must have completed a screener (MCHAT, ASQ, or PEDS).

BEHAVIOR CLINIC
Provides intensive intervention services for children, adolescents, and young adults with confirmed diagnosis of ASD.
• Currently accepting referrals from CHOC physicians and community ABA providers.
• Appointments are 1 or 2 times weekly, depending on the service.
• Behaviors should be significant enough that family would agree to attend 120 min appointments during the school day.
  Please note we do not provide long-term, in-home ABA therapy.
  a. Challenging Behavior Clinic: Provide assessment and targeted treatment for severe challenging behaviors that are likely to cause injury to self or others or cause property damage. Develop a treatment plan to decrease challenging behaviors and increase desirable behaviors. Based on assessment and demonstrated success, strategies will be generalized to parents and/or service providers. Age: < 21 years of age (for those who exhibit aggression, we currently serve children who are 10 or younger)
  b. Toileting Clinic: Intensive training of parents and caregivers to successfully conduct a toilet training program. Develop a long-term treatment plan for the maintenance of successful toileting behavior. Ages: 4 through elementary school age
  c. ABA Consultation Clinic: Provide consultation services to those who are currently receiving ABA services with insufficient progress. Age: < 21 years of age

CO-OCCURRING CLINIC
Provides medical treatment and/or psychological consultation and treatment services for children, adolescents, and young adults with a confirmed diagnosis of ASD and other co-occurring medical and/or mental health conditions.
• Common medical conditions managed include epilepsy, sleep issues, gastrointestinal (GI) issues, migraines, etc.
• Psychological comorbidities include ADHD, anxiety, depression, tics, etc. Currently accepting referrals from CHOC physicians. Age: <21 years of age
NEURODEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

MEDICAL EVALUATION CLINIC
Provides medical assessment of children who present with a concern of an undiagnosed neurodevelopmental disorder, skill regression, or lack of progress in development.
• Referral concerns include school underachievement, learning disabilities, language delay, motor delay, etc.
• Medical follow-up for identified neurodevelopmental disorders will be provided, as needed.

MEDICAL MANAGEMENT CLINIC:
 a. Medical Assessment and Treatment for children, adolescents with a suspicion for ADHD or ADHD and another neurodevelopmental disorder.
 b. Medical Treatment for Neurobehavioral disorders such as mild - moderate depression, mild – moderate anxiety, sleep difficulties, obsessive compulsive behavior, agitation or irritability etc. associated with other neurodevelopmental and neurocognitive conditions including Fragile X, cerebral palsy, global developmental delay, learning disability, congenital malformations, neurogenetic conditions, Traumatic Brain Injury (greater than 1 year after injury), hearing impairment/blindness, ex-NICU or neonatal Hypoxic Injury (greater than age 5 years of age).

RESOURCE SPECIALIST
Please contact our Resource Department for community resources and services. Our resource department can help families connect to community providers and additional resources (e.g., home/clinic-based, ABA, psychologists, educational classes, social skills groups, recreational classes, etc.). Our department will work with families to better connect them to the appropriate care and support.