The Center on Human Development and Disability (CHDD)

The Center is dedicated to the prevention and treatment of developmental disabilities through research, training, outreach, and clinical services both at CHDD and in the community. The University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) at CHDD is part of a nationwide network of university-based centers that provide interdisciplinary supports and services to people with disabilities. It is guided by the principles and values that encourage independence, productivity, and inclusion of people with disabilities in community life.

Getting Acquainted
Most clinical service, outreach, training, and research programs at CHDD serve individuals with developmental, learning, and related behavioral problems and their families. Service is provided by professionals from the following fields: audiology, developmental pediatrics, employment services, genetic counseling, nursing, nutrition, occupational therapy, pediatric genetics, physical therapy, psychology, social work, special education, and speech and language pathology. An interdisciplinary team approach assures comprehensive and integrated services.

Referring a Family
Anyone who is concerned about an individual’s developmental status may make a referral to CHDD. Referrals often come from parents, nurses, physicians, teachers, and social service staff. Teens and adults may refer themselves. Some clinics require a physician’s referral. To initiate a referral, call the phone number listed next to the clinic or program.

Paying for Services
Standard fees are charged for services at CHDD. Most forms of private and public health insurance are accepted. For details, contact the specific clinic where you wish to make an appointment. Families must follow all requirements of their insurers for referrals and pre-authorizations.

Finding the Center
The CHDD is located directly behind University of Washington (UW) Medical Center. The street address for the UW Medical Center is 1959 NE Pacific Avenue, Seattle, WA 98195. The S1 parking lot is closest to CHDD. A fee is charged in campus parking lots.
Clinics and Services

Biochemical Genetics Clinic
206-598-1800
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/biochemical-genetics-clinic/
This clinic offers diagnosis, evaluation, and long-term management plans for individuals with metabolic disorders. Family support activities are offered to assist with compliance with treatment. Genetic counseling about the heritability of these disorders is provided to all families, and prenatal diagnosis is offered to families for subsequent at-risk pregnancies.

Child Development Clinic
206-598-9346
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/child-development-clinic/
This team-based clinic provides autism diagnostic services, developmental assessments and therapeutic recommendations for children from birth to adolescence with or at risk for developmental disabilities. The clinic includes professionals from audiology, developmental pediatrics, psychology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nursing, nutrition, social work, and speech and language pathology who assess the child's health and developmental status during a two- to three-day evaluation. The team also provides diagnostic referrals to support services.

Cardiac Neurodevelopmental Clinic
206-598-6710
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/cardiac-neurodevelopmental-clinic/
This clinic offers services for babies, children and teens with complex congenital heart defects. Close developmental assessment and follow-up is provided during the first 5 years of life and intermittent follow-up and consultation is available for children age 5-18 years. Referrals are made for suggested treatment and therapies.

Down Syndrome Specialty Clinic
206-598-3327
This clinic serves individuals up to age 15 years with Down syndrome through developmental assessments, behavioral consultations, and evaluation of related medical issues. An interdisciplinary approach is provided by the team members including: developmental behavioral pediatrichian, psychologist, special educator, nutritionist, social worker, audiologist, genetic counselor, physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.

EEU Classes at the Haring Center
206-543-4011
This program offers a state-certified program of specialized education. Services are provided by an interdisciplinary team that includes a classroom teacher, speech and language pathologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, and other professionals. Children from birth to age 7 are referred to the program by parents, professionals, school districts, and community agencies. Each classroom includes children with disabilities as well as typically developing youngsters. Families receive support services.

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS)
Diagnosis and Prevention Network
206-598-7666
This program offers multidisciplinary assessment to individuals of all ages who have been exposed to alcohol prenatally and who may have developmental, learning, or behavioral concerns. It provides diagnostic referrals to support services. Additional clinics are located statewide.

Genetic Medicine Clinic
206-598-4030
This clinic provides assessment, consultation, testing, genetic counseling, management and follow-up for adults, children and families at risk to have or who have been diagnosed with a genetic condition. It brings together a team of experts from neurology, medical genetics, pediatrics, and genetic counseling. Areas of expertise include: cancer genetics, connective tissue disorders, genetic skin disorders, Turner syndrome, Neurofibromatosis, cardiomyopathies, and autism. Eligibility for the clinic may include dysmorphic or atypical facial features, as well as severe neurological symptoms, such as intellectual and other developmental disabilities, seizures, movement disorders, unexplained muscle weakness, or abnormal brain scans or muscle biopsies.

Infant Development Follow-up Clinic
206-598-9348
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/infant-development-follow-up-clinic/
This clinic provides developmental follow-up of infants and children designated as high risk due primarily to prematurity, low birth weight, and/or prenatal exposure to drugs. The goal is to provide early identification and referral for early intervention for neurodevelopmental and neurobehavioral problems.

Late and Moderate Preterm Babies (LAMBS)
Phone: 206-598-9348
The LAMBS Clinic was developed specifically for children who were born at 32-36 weeks gestation (4 to 8 weeks early), to provide developmental assessment and on-going monitoring. Development screening is performed at regular intervals from 4 months to 2 years. If needed, families are connected to resources to support their child's development.

Pediatric Audiology Clinic
206-598-9347
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/pediatric-audiology-clinic/
This clinic offers a full range of clinical services, including behavioral hearing assessment of infants and children, physiologic assessment, assessments for hearing aids, and hearing aid fittings. The clinic also provides counseling for families.

Phenylketonuria (PKU) Clinic
206-598-1800
https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/clinics/phenylketonuria-pku-clinic/
This clinic provides assessment, consultation, testing, genetic counseling, management and health supervision, and evaluation of treatment outcomes to children and adults with PKU. A focused health and wellness curriculum facilitates treatment compliance and supports self-management skills. Long-term planning and follow-up help prevent adverse consequences.

UW Autism Center Clinic
Seattle: 206-221-6806    Tacoma: 253-692-4711
The clinic’s multidisciplinary team provides a variety of assessment, intervention, and medical services for children from infancy through adulthood with autism spectrum disorders.

- Applied Behavioral Analysis
- Developmental Pediatric
- Early Childhood Intervention
- Infant Clinic
- Diagnostic Services
- Speech & Language Intervention

UW Employment Training Program
206-543-6387
This program provides adults with developmental and other disabilities with training and placement in competitive part-time and full-time jobs with employers in King County.

Check out this website for family-focused CHDD Specialty Clinic information: https://uw-ctu.org/specialty-clinics/