



Welcome

Children's Specialized Hospital is the nation's leading provider of inpatient and outpatient care for children from birth to 21 years of age facing special health care challenges – from chronic illnesses and complex physical disabilities like brain and spinal cord injuries, to developmental and behavioral issues like autism and mental health. At 13 different New Jersey locations, our pediatric specialists partner with families to make our many innovative therapies and medical treatments more personalized and effective so each child can reach their full potential.

Children's Specialized Hospital treats children and adolescents from birth to 21 years of age with a wide variety of medical, developmental, educational, and rehabilitative needs.

Children's Specialized Hospital offers outpatient rehabilitation technology clinics at the following sites:

Toms River: 94 Stevens Road
Mountainside: 150 New Providence Road

To talk directly to Rehab Tech, or schedule an appointment call:
(908) 389-5620

For more information on additional services, how to volunteer, or donate, contact us at:
1-888-CHILDREN (244-5373)

Or visit our website:
www.childrens-specialized.org



World-Class Pediatric Rehabilitation Rehabilitation Technology



Rehabilitation Technology

Rehabilitation Technology is a specialty healthcare resource focused on adaptive equipment and dedicated to enhancing the quality of life of children, adolescents, and young adults with disabilities.

Our expert therapists are trained in all areas of adaptive equipment. All hold an additional certification as an Assistive Technology Practitioner. Our team works in partnership with Durable Medical Equipment (DME) suppliers. These suppliers are carefully selected – their role is to purchase the most appropriate adaptive equipment for the patient.

Items may include:

- bath equipment
- custom beds
- custom molded seating systems
- gait trainers
- manual wheelchairs
- patient lifts
- power wheelchairs
- standers
- supportive feeding chairs
- supportive strollers
- walkers

Our team also provides pressure mapping for wound management.

Our Services

The Rehabilitation Technology Department provides outpatient evaluations to assist families in choosing the most appropriate adaptive equipment to help their child reach their fullest potential. Children of all ages and abilities are served, including those with severe developmental delays, low cognitive levels, mild to severe physical limitations, and those dependent on ventilators.

The Evaluation Process

The Rehabilitation Technology evaluation typically takes two visits.

The evaluation is performed by a physical therapist who specializes in adaptive equipment. After the evaluation is complete, the therapist and family meet with one of our select DME suppliers, and together we choose the equipment that will best meet the family's needs. In addition to holding our suppliers to the highest standards, we make our best effort to work with suppliers who accept most insurance plans.

Getting Started:

- During the first visit you and your child will meet with the therapist, who will evaluate your child's physical status, and discuss your child's positioning needs with you.
- The therapist will provide recommendations regarding the equipment options for your child.
- At the next appointment, you and your child will meet with the same therapist and a supplier of adaptive equipment. During this appointment you will select the specific equipment that best meets your child's needs.
- Each appointment is approximately 60-90 minutes long. If more than one piece of equipment is recommended, multiple appointments may be needed to find the optimum solution.

The Next Steps:

- After the final evaluation appointment the therapist will write a report detailing all the recommendations and medical information necessary.
- The report will be sent to your child's physician for signature.
- Once signed, the report is then forwarded to the chosen DME supplier who will submit our report, along with the pricing, to your insurance company.
- Upon receipt, the insurance company will decide if they will approve recommended equipment. Once approved, the equipment is ordered by the supplier.
- When the equipment arrives, another appointment will be scheduled at Children's Specialized to have the equipment properly fit to your child.
- Our team will train the family on proper use, maintenance, and will answer all of your questions.
- Follow up appointments are scheduled on an as needed basis.

How to Prepare for Your Visit

For the appointment you will need:

- a prescription will need to be faxed to (908) 301-5503 prior to the appointment for authorization
- a referral if required by our insurance
- your insurance cards
- any braces, or equipment your child uses
- a completed copy of the Children's Specialized questionnaire you were sent in advance of your appointment