Fighting genetic illnesses with Cutting-Edge Research & Compassion
Our Mission

TO SERVE CHILDREN AND ADULTS

who suffer from genetic and other complex medical disorders by providing comprehensive medical, laboratory, and consultative services, and by increasing and disseminating knowledge of science and medicine.

Our Goals

Deliver effective and affordable diagnosis and comprehensive care for individuals with genetic conditions.

Develop innovative laboratory methods that serve the needs of patients and families.

Expand the capability for clinical studies, education, and training in genetic medicine.
The Clinic’s unique model offers a pathway into the future of genomic medicine, where physicians and scientists work hand-in-hand to solve ever-changing, complex problems. We explain the meaning of genomic data for the individual, providing the right treatment at the right time. By seamlessly integrating a CLIA-certified biochemical and molecular genetic laboratory into our primary care practice, we provide fast and affordable testing that continually drives better patient care. The laboratory’s focus is on the needs of the patients we serve.

Our services include:

- Advanced Genomic Techniques
- Amino Acid Quantitation
- Genetic Counseling
- In-Hospital Care & Home Visits
- New Patient Evaluations
- Cherished Lives Palliative Care Program
- Primary Care for Children & Adults
- Rapid Molecular Diagnostics
The Clinic is a small practice by design, but a wide network of collaborators enhances our ability to provide clinical care and conduct research, helping us to close the gap between scientific knowledge and the translation of knowledge into effective medical care. Our work has been published in over 135 peer-reviewed scientific journal articles and featured in news outlets both nationally and internationally. Clinical collaborations allow us to offer services typically only available at institutions in major cities.

Our collaborative projects include:

- Cellular Research
- Clinical Trials
- Education
- Organ Transplantation
- Medical Food Design
- Scientific Publications
- Subspecialty Services
- Technology Development
Meet a Family

The King Family

When the King family faced the devastating loss of their daughter, Analisa, they were left with many unanswered medical questions. While genetic testing did not provide an answer at the time, they never gave up hope. Several years later, many of those unanswered questions resurfaced when their son, Jevon, was born with similar symptoms. When Jevon was diagnosed with CODAS syndrome at 10 days old through the Clinic’s on-site laboratory, it not only enabled the Clinic’s medical team to provide compassionate care based on prior experience with the disorder, it provided long sought answers to the King family.

Now Jevon, and his brother Josiah, who was also diagnosed with CODAS syndrome, receive care at the Clinic. As their primary care physician, we meet with the family multiple times a year to provide routine care. However, CODAS syndrome affects many different parts of the body so we also coordinate with multiple external specialists to create a comprehensive care team. Jevon and Josiah’s care team works together to help them reach important developmental milestones, learn, and grow.

The King’s story brings the mission of the Clinic to life. Providing compassionate, accessible, and coordinated care is the heart of the Clinic’s purpose and we continuously search for more solutions.
Support Our Work

Only about 10% of the Clinic’s budget comes from patient fees and philanthropy is critical to our ability to offer cutting-edge clinical care at an affordable rate for patients and families. We invite you to join us in fulfilling this vital mission.

Make a monetary donation
You can make your gift online at www.ClinicforSpecialChildren.org/Give by scanning the QR code or mailing your donation to: Clinic for Special Children, Attn: Development, P.O. Box 128, Strasburg, PA 17579. We also accept in-kind gifts and gifts of stock.

You’re invited
to join us at one of our seven annual benefit auctions and the Clinic’s yearly 5k race in September. Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities are available.

Make a legacy gift
by joining the Clinic’s planned giving society, the Quilter’s Circle, and include the Clinic in your estate plans.

Contact us
Please contact the Clinic’s development team at 717-687-9407 or giving@ClinicforSpecialChildren.org for additional information. We welcome the opportunity to assist you.

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