



Fighting Genetic Illnesses with

Cutting-Edge Research & Compassion



Clinic for
Special Children[®]

Our Mission

IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE

for those with **genetic or other complex medical conditions** through **innovative research**, **accessible laboratory services**, and **compassionate care**.



By the Numbers



511

known variants managed
that can cause disease



76%

of patients receive a
specific, genetic diagnosis



76,000+

in-house laboratory tests &
procedures since 2003



7,500+

patients served
since 1989



35,000+

patient appointments
since 2010



18

medical speciality
services offered on-site

Compassionate Clinical Care

At the Clinic for Special Children, we provide compassionate, personalized care grounded in the latest advances in genomic medicine. Our physicians, researchers, and scientists work together to better understand and treat complex genetic conditions.

We translate genetic test results into clear, meaningful answers, so families receive the right care at the right time.



Our Clinic is designed to be a comprehensive medical practice – a place where children and adults with complex medical diseases can receive the primary care they need. Through collaborative partnerships, we offer on-site, limited subspecialty services.

Clinical Services

- Consultation services
- Dietary support
- Genetic counseling & education
- In-hospital care
- On-call service (24/7)
- Palliative care (*Cherished Lives*)
- Routine immunizations
- Visiting specialty care
- Well care & sick visits

Specialty Services

- Audiology
- Behavioral Therapy
- Cardiology
- Endocrinology
- ENT
- Nephrology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopedics
- Psychology & Psychiatry
- Pulmonology
- Wheelchair Fittings

Innovative Research & Laboratory



Our on-site, CLIA-certified laboratory is fully integrated into our primary care practice, allowing us to offer timely, affordable testing right here at the Clinic. By connecting research, laboratory science, and patient care, we continually improve treatments and outcomes.

Laboratory Services

Biochemical disease monitoring

Bone marrow matching

Carrier screening (*Plain Insight Panel™*)

Diagnostic genetic testing

New genetic variant identification

We are dedicated to turning knowledge and research into real-world solutions that improve the health of the families we care for. By studying the rare conditions we see in our Clinic, we work to find answers that improve the quality of life not just in our community, but around the world.

A wide network of collaborators enhances our ability to conduct groundbreaking research and offer services typically only available at institutions in major cities.

Collaborative Projects & Research

Cellular research

Clinical trials

Education

Organ transplantation

Medical food design

Scientific publications



Meet a Family

The Troyer Family

The Troyer family moved across the country in search of specialized care for their child, Isaiah, who was living with a rare genetic disease, and to be closer to family.

At the Clinic for Special Children, they found what they needed – expert, compassionate, and accessible care that changed their family’s life. When their second child, Adam, was also diagnosed with a rare genetic disorder, we were already there to support their family.

“From the very beginning at the Clinic for Special Children, we felt embraced and supported by their team,” shares the Troyer family. “We’re grateful to Dr. Laura Poskitt, Medical Director at the Clinic, and the whole team for providing gentle care for our sons and also support for us as parents. Your support of the Clinic makes it possible for many families who face challenging medical needs to find hope and care with extensive research and support.”

Key Stats

1,624
Active patients

from **46** states & **17** countries

34 Staff members

36 Years in operation

Support Our Mission

As an independent nonprofit, charitable giving and support is critical to our mission.

Each year close to 70% of our budget is powered by charitable sources, including benefit auctions, grants, and individual gifts.

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Make a monetary gift on our website or by mail (see our address below).



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