

Clinic for Autism Research, Evaluation and Support (CARES) Educational Treatment Program



The CARES Mission is three-pronged: First, we strive to provide high quality educational services to children and adults with autism and other developmental disabilities. Second, we aim to train current and future teachers and other providers to apply research-based practices relative to this population in schools, homes, and state and private agencies. Finally, we endeavor to conduct meaningful research that informs the field and potentially improves the quality of life for individuals with these disorders and their families.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Educational Assessment

The assessment process consists of two stages that include input by parents and other family members, and school personnel and/or the client when appropriate. First, a pre-assessment will accompany the application. Upon acceptance, parents or others will be asked to bring the client to the clinic for a second more lengthy person-centered assessment. This assessment will delineate activities, routines, and skills relative to target environments pertinent to the individual now and in the future. Assessment results will guide the creation of an individualized program.

Cost: Free with Treatment Sessions. Stand-alone assessment \$200

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Intervention and Treatment

Each instructional session will include an individualized curriculum and a variety of evidence-based strategies. These practices may include discrete trial training, incidental teaching, visual supports, Functional Communication Training, video modeling, reinforcement, and prompting procedures. Individual progress will be monitored daily and a summary report with graphs provided at the program's conclusion. Faculty and staff with Board Certification in Behavior Analysis (BCBA) supervise all sessions. Both clinic and home-based programs are available.

Cost: \$35 per hour

Social Skills Training

Individuals with similar instructional needs are grouped (3-5 individuals) for skill training with ABA-based instructional strategies. Individualized goals and objectives guide instruction and development of the final progress report.

Cost: \$30 per hour with a minimum of 3 individuals per group

Attendance at ECI or school program meetings:

Attendance in ARD, ECI, or school program meetings to provide information and encourage collaboration among school, ECI personnel, and family members for developing and monitoring individualized plans.

NOTE: Pre-meetings and staffings might be indicated

Cost: \$100 per hour

Choosing a treatment program that is right for you and your family.

Families may choose the number of days and sessions based on need, availability, and budget.

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