SCHOOL-AGED AUTISM AND DEVELOPMENTAL CLINIC

PURPOSE To provide families with diagnostic evaluations, reevaluations and/or behavioral consultations of school-aged youth. The multiday clinic assesses a student’s developmental strengths, skills and needs. Parents are able to discuss their concerns with an interdisciplinary team who evaluates the child’s developmental and behavioral abilities.

PERSONS SERVED This clinic assesses students with or suspected of intellectual and developmental disabilities including Autism Spectrum Disorder.

STAFF The interdisciplinary evaluation team consists of faculty and trainees from psychology and developmental behavioral pediatrics with other disciplines included as indicated.

SERVICES The evaluation consists of a review of the child’s previous records, a clinical interview with the parents and other significant care providers, and an assessment of the child’s current developmental abilities and/or behavioral needs. Developmental and behavioral assessments may consist of structured and unstructured play-based observation and interactions, clinical interviews and standardized testing. At a follow-up appointment, assessment results and recommendations are discussed with parents to develop supports and services. Parents or guardians are provided a developmental and behavioral profile of the child, recommendations and/or relevant diagnoses. A formal report is given to the parents and a copy is sent to the referring professional and/or primary care physician.

TIME The clinic is held on Thursdays at the Nisonger Center.

COST All major insurance programs, Medicaid, and Bureau for Children with Medical Handicaps are accepted.

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