

Evaluation

Single Evaluation:

- Informal assessment involving one therapist focused on a targeted area of development to gain information about current level of development; medical history; areas of growth; and caregiver priorities / concerns in order to set goals and determine necessary interventions.

Interdisciplinary Evaluation:

- Informal assessment involving two therapists focused on multiple areas of development to gain information about current level of development; medical history; areas of growth; and caregiver priorities / concerns in order to set goals and determine necessary interventions.

Evaluations may be recommended during the Pathways intake process, especially prior to the initiation of Therapeutic Skill Building services.

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DOWN SYNDROME
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Pathways Therapy Services



A lifetime of support for a life

full of opportunities.

About Pathways Therapy Services

Down Syndrome Innovations offers interdisciplinary, family-centered therapeutic services to promote long-term success to people with Down syndrome.

The Pathways team includes an occupational therapist (OT), a speech-language pathologist (SLP), and a Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA). The therapy team works by bringing together their unique, yet complementary, perspectives to help support skill acquisition across the home and community. Our team utilizes the Down Syndrome Innovations' Lifespan Framework to guide goals and interventions across services.



From in-depth comprehensive programming designed to provide education and strategies to caregivers, to direct programming designed to address a specific area of need, Pathways offers a variety of services to meet the needs of people with Down syndrome and their families.

The Pathways team also works with other Down Syndrome Innovations staff to help generalize skills into group programming and beyond.

Caregiver Consultations

On-Demand Therapeutic Consultation:

- A therapeutic session with one therapist and parent/caregiver(s) on a targeted need related to supporting the person in the family who has Down syndrome. Education, resources, and strategies are individualized to the family's needs. Additional services may be recommended beyond consultation to address ongoing needs.

Long-Term Planning Consultation:

- Individualized support to parents and caregivers to better prepare their family for the transition to adulthood and the adult years. Direction is provided to help families access their local CDDO, ID/DD services, public benefits, and other community resources. We help prioritize action steps according to the age of the person with DS and the family's specific context.

Therapeutic Services

Direct Therapy

Single Therapeutic Skill-Building:

- Direct therapy with one licensed therapist with individualized intervention for targeted outcomes. The focus is building skills for daily life in the home and community. Includes direct support as well as parent/caregiver coaching. Weekly or biweekly sessions. On-site or teletherapy. Options for 12, 24, or 36 sessions.

Interdisciplinary Therapeutic Skill-Building:

- Direct therapy with one licensed therapist with individualized intervention for targeted outcomes. The focus is building skills for daily life in the home and community. Includes direct support as well as parent/caregiver coaching. Weekly or biweekly sessions. On-site or teletherapy. Options for 12, 24, or 36 sessions.

Families choose Therapeutic Skill-Building to address and improve a variety of skills such as speech and language, toilet training, behavior, assistive technology, vocational readiness, and daily living skills.

Therapeutic Small Groups

Social Engagement:

- Social Engagement focuses on providing a supported environment where self-advocates can learn and practice social skills. Utilizing group instruction, a member of the therapy team meets with self-advocates of similar ages and skills to work on initiating conversations, conversational turn-taking, staying on topic, understanding hidden rules, and so much more.



Ready, Set, Regulate:

- Therapeutic small group, designed by a Board Certified Behavior Analyst and targeted for children in elementary school and early middle school. The goal of the group is to learn and practice social skills such as taking turns, following group instructions, and managing big emotions.