Neurodevelopmental Clinic

What to expect during your visit

The Neurodevelopmental Clinic offers diagnosis and consults about:

- Developmental disabilities and delays
- Spina bifida
- Cerebral palsy
- Prematurity
- Hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy
- Genetic disorders (such as Fragile X and Down syndrome)
- Autism spectrum disorders
- Prenatal counseling for parents expecting children with disorders of the nervous system

How long will the visit take?

The length of your child’s appointment depends on how many providers they need to see as well as their specific health needs and developmental concerns. If your child’s neurodevelopmental evaluation includes visits from providers in multiple clinic areas, your appointment may last all day. Your child’s neurodevelopmental evaluations may include visits with:

- Speech therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Feeding therapy
- Urology
- Orthopedics
- Rehabilitation Medicine
- Neurosurgery
- Radiology testing
- Laboratory testing

What should I bring?

Your child’s favorite book, toys, a snack or other things that your child might want to have while you wait between visits.
Who is on my child’s neurodevelopmental team?

Your child may see either doctors or nurse practitioners. Your child’s appointments may alternate between the two. Nurses, dietitians, social workers and therapists also play a key role in your child’s care plan.

The entire healthcare team will talk with you, your child’s primary care provider, and each other. The goal of our team approach is to provide care that meets all of the unique needs of your child and family. This team approach improves:

- Wait times for new and follow-up appointments
- Getting answers to your questions regarding your child between visits
- Care coordination
- Management of prescription refills

To learn more about how to get ready for a clinic visit and family support services, visit: www.seattlechildrens.org/patients-families/