Children’s Program

Wascana Rehabilitation Centre
Welcome to the Children’s Program

We provide pediatric therapy services to children who primarily reside in Southern Saskatchewan.

The program practices a “family centred” approach which:
- respects the important role of the family in the lives of their children
- supports families in their care giving role
- promotes a partnership of respect and support between families and staff.

Population Served

We provide services to children and youth who have physical disabilities, developmental challenges, and/or communication difficulties.

Parking

Parking is available in the 2 visitor parking lots as shown on the site map on page 5.

Registration

When you arrive at Wascana Rehabilitation Centre, go to the information desk to the left of the main doors. Staff direct you to System Wide Admission and Discharge registration desk. Bring your child’s hospitalization card. After your child is registered, you are directed to Children’s Program Reception.
Program Services

Outpatient Services
Children receive services as outpatients. Services include assessment, individual and group treatment, and parent/caregiver education.

Inpatient Services
Therapy and respite services are available to children who meet certain criteria.

Clinics/Team Conferences
Clinics and team conferences provide opportunities for the family or care providers to meet with the child's team to review needs, share information and update goals.

Telehealth
Telehealth Saskatchewan uses information technology to link patients to health care from a distance. It provides access to health care for patients living in rural and remote areas.

Cost
Therapy services are free but there may be charges for some non-funded equipment and group sessions.

Notes:
The Children’s Program Team

These team members may be involved at different stages of your child’s development:

**Appointment Scheduler**

Coordinates and schedules appointments.

**Dietitian**

Helps you choose what and how to feed your child for optimal growth and nutrition.

**Exercise Therapist**

Helps your child develop strength, endurance, and coordination to improve movement, play skills, and fitness.

**Music Therapist**

Develops your child’s learning, social skills, movement, and communication skills through music.

**Occupational Therapist**

Works to make the most of your child’s ability to participate in daily activities such as: playing, eating, and dressing. Provides appropriate equipment to achieve these goals.

**Pediatrician/Physiatrist**

Provides medical advice and guidance specific to your child’s therapy needs.

**Physical Therapist**

Helps to develop movement skills. Recommends programs and/or equipment as appropriate to assist motor skill development.
Psychologist

Help you understand your child’s overall development, including learning, emotions, behaviour, play and social skills.

Registered Nurse

Coordinates clinic and helps you with your child’s health needs.

Adapted Seating Specialist

In coordination with the occupational and physical therapist, designs, manufactures, and fits wheelchair seating systems.

Social Worker

Provides a link between the family and the team as well as with community resources.

Speech Language Pathologist

Develops communication skills and assists with listening and understanding skills, vocabulary development, language and speech sounds.

Therapy Assistant (OTA/PTA)

Assists the occupational and physical therapists in providing therapy services to children.

Adaptive Equipment Technician

In coordination with the occupational and physical therapists, designs, manufactures, and fits custom made equipment.

Cafeteria and Gift Shop are available.