

Children's Specialized Hospital

Children's Specialized Hospital (CSH), part of the Children's Health network of RWJBarnabas Health, is the nation's leading provider of inpatient and outpatient care for children from birth to 21 years of age facing special health challenges – from chronic illnesses and complex physical disabilities like brain and spinal cord injuries, to a full scope of developmental, behavioral and mental health concerns. CSH is comprised of one state-of-the-art inpatient facility in New Brunswick, the state's only pediatric rehabilitation hospital, as well as 12 outpatient facilities covering an array or programs and services.

CSH also offered Pediatric Long Term Care (LTC) and Respite Care Services for children with complex medical conditions at two locations in Mountainside and Toms River. The LTC facility is home to many medically fragile children whose families' current circumstances no longer allow them to be cared for in the home or other community setting. CSH's commitment to patient- and family-centered care sets it apart from other Pediatric Long Term Care Centers by ensuring that goals for residents are heard and incorporated into their medical and therapeutic care plan.

The Research Center at CSH strives to advance pediatric rehabilitation evidence-based studies that explore innovative interventions, technologies and approaches to specialized care for children and adolescents. The Center's research focuses on five core areas: Autism, Brain Injury, Chronic Health Conditions, Cognition and Mobility.

In 2018, CSH created the Center for Discovery, Innovation and Development (CDID). CDID's mission is to develop and discover solutions that advance the lives of children, adolescents and young adults with special healthcare needs and their families. Exploring how emerging technologies can improve quality of life, CDID has facilitated projects and partnerships ranging from the use of virtual reality in behavioral health treatment to the creation of innovative feeding tube devices.

Aside from the excellence in clinical care and new technological solutions, CDID and CSH are committed to meeting the social needs of patients and their families. CSH continues to lead the way in Social Determinants of Health Screenings at all sites and service lines. CSH has screened over 12,000 families, with approximately 36% having some sort of need. Determining that food insecurity was the largest reported problem for patients and families, CSH partnered with a variety of food banks to ensure food availability on-site at 10 CSH locations – ultimately benefiting more than 2,000 families.

Patient- and family-centered care is critical to CSH's philosophy of partnering with every child and family. CSH's Patient- and Family-Centered Care Department is comprised of Family Faculty, which are faculty and staff members who are parents and family members of children who have received or are still receiving services at CSH. Their own day-to-day experiences provide a unique perspective, understanding, and empathy for families going through similar situations. The role of Family Faculty is to empower families to become advocates for their children. CSH also engages a 25-member Family Advisory Council to further family-centered care.



1,643 Employees



56

Physicians



202 Nurses



522 Admissions



34,619 Children Served



213.347

Outpatient visits 2020



15 Locations



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Honors & Awards



 The New Jersey Department of Health-Bronze Award in the 2022 Antimicrobial Stewardship Recognition Program: Children's Specialized Hospital



• NJBIZ Healthcare Hero Awards - Physician of the Year: Dr. Colin O'Reilly, VP and Chief Medical Officer at Children's Specialized Hospital



 Honorable mention for the Schwartz Term Care team at Children's Specialized Hospital



• NJBIZ Healthcare Hero Awards -Volunteer of the Year: Anthony LaTorre, Volunteer at Children's Specialized Hospital



 Institute for Patient- and Family-Centered Care (IPFCC) - 2022 Partnership Award: Family Faculty and Center for Discovery, Innovation and Development teams at Children's Specialized Hospital



Becker's List of Great Community Hospitals 2023: Children's Specialized Hospital



• Newsweek's World's Best Specialized Hospitals List for 2022 and 2023: Children's Specialized Hospital