

How to access our services

We accept referrals from parents, doctors, hospitals, neonatal follow-up programs, therapists, community programs and other agencies who provide services for young children.

Referral forms can be found on the Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital website – early learning and development.

www.hollandbloorview.ca

Les services de développement des enfants sont offerts en français par le Centre francophone de Toronto. Pour plus d'informations, contactez le Centre francophone de Toronto au 416 922 2672, poste 274.

Where our programs are located

Nursery schools

Play and Learn site

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Infant development service

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About Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital

Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital creates a world of possibility by supporting children and youth living with disability, medical complexity, illness and injury. Holland Bloorview is a top 40 Canadian research hospital that is fully affiliated with the University of Toronto and serves 7,500 families annually. Providing both inpatient and outpatient services, Holland Bloorview is renowned for its expertise in partnering with clients and families to provide exceptional care. Holland Bloorview is the only organization to ever achieve 100 per cent in two successive quality surveys by Accreditation Canada. For more information or to donate, please visit hollandbloorview.ca.



In the early years, building a strong foundation is the first step in ensuring that every child fulfills their individual potential.

We provide responsive, individual approaches to support all children and their families in their chosen learning environment, be it home, nursery school or child care.

Early learning and development

NURSERY SCHOOL PROGRAMS
INFANT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE
For children 0 – 5 years of age

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Nursery school programs

We believe that learning opportunities come from experience. We recognize that growth is dependent upon individual learning styles. Through experiential, play-based, multi-sensory activities, each child has the freedom to make each experience their own. We provide structured and non-structured situations in an environment that is fun and interesting.

Depending on the needs of your child, an early childhood educator (ECE) may connect with you about receiving an assessment for the following: physiotherapy, occupational therapy, speech language pathology (one or more, as needed).

All children seen by the speech language pathologist will be registered with Early Abilities (formerly Toronto Preschool Speech and Language Services).



Your child will receive recommendations and/or strategies to help achieve the goals developed by you and your care team. Your ECE will support these efforts in the classroom.

As part of the Childcare and Early Years Act, children with special needs are required to have an Individual Education Plan (IEP). If needed, we will work with you to develop an IEP for your child.

If your child is typically developing, a screening tool (Nipissing Developmental Scale) will be completed for the monitoring of development.

The nursery school programs run:

- Monday – Friday from September to June
- Programs are offered in groupings of three, four, or five half days, from 9 – 11:30 a.m. and/or 1 – 3:30 p.m.
- A fee for service applies to this program

Our philosophy

We believe ...

- All children benefit from an early learning environment that supports each child's abilities and respects the importance of family.
- We lead and guide all children through natural play-based activities to achieve their personal best.

Who we serve

- The nursery school programs integrate children with and without special needs.
- We are licensed by the Ministry of Education and funded by the City of Toronto – Children's Services. Our clients and centres are within the Greater Toronto Area.

Benefits for the community

Our programs:

- Promote awareness, support and understanding of inclusion for all children.
- Offer academic placements for students in secondary and post-secondary education.

Our staff

- Early childhood educators
- Physiotherapist
- Occupational therapist
- Speech language pathologist
- Communicative disorder assistant
- Music specialist

Infant development service

Infant development consultants support families in their efforts to be active participants in their child's care.

Through an interprofessional approach, we provide opportunities for the optimal development of the child and family. Support is primarily provided within the child's home environment.

Some of our services include:

- Initial client intake team consultation at a Holland Bloorview designated setting
- Informal and formal child and family assessments, using a variety of tools
- Direct early intervention in all developmental domains (gross and fine motor, social and emotional, language and cognitive)
- Planning interventions to promote secure infant attachment
- Help accessing information about additional community resources and supports
- Advocacy for and with families in their relationship with health, social and community services
- Sharing information related to typical and atypical child development
- A play-based intervention program plan to promote positive parent-infant interactions and support for the relationship

Our philosophy

- We recognize infancy and early childhood are crucial periods in the healthy development of an individual.
- Our commitment to family-centred care is demonstrated in our respect for families and in the recognition that families are active participants in our service delivery.

Who we serve

- Our services are offered to families whose children have been identified as having established risks of developmental delays and disabilities including physical and neurological markers or prematurity.
- We serve families with children from birth to age five, residing in the Toronto region. Children do not need to be Holland Bloorview clients to access our services.

0-2 Babies program

- The integrated group program is at the Holland Bloorview Nursery School – Play and Learn site (666 Eglinton Avenue West).
- 2.25 hours of service are offered once a week, Tuesdays or Fridays.
- A fee for service applies to this program.