

Physicians

diagnose and treat your child or youth's medical or surgical condition. Many physicians also do research and teach other doctors who are training to become specialists.

Physiotherapists

work with children and youth to improve their mobility because of a medical condition, or after surgery or an injury.

Psychologists/ Psychology Associates

support families by treating and counseling children, youth and families. As a first step psychologists will evaluate the patient to identify cognitive, developmental or behavioral issues.

Respiratory Therapists

provide diagnostic testing, monitoring, treatment and education to patients suffering from respiratory or cardio-respiratory problems.



Social Workers

help patients and their families address the broad range of psychosocial issues and stresses related to physical and mental illness, injury, hospitalization and bereavement. Social workers provide psychosocial assessments, counseling/therapy, liaison between the family and the health care team, advocacy, resource finding, and discharge planning.

Speech Language Pathologists

provide treatment and consultation to children and youth who are having speech or language difficulties.

Spiritual Support Services

provide support to patient and families of many faiths. They organize prayers and pastoral services and liaise with community based spiritual leaders.

Please contact a member of your health care team if you think you need the services of any of these professionals.



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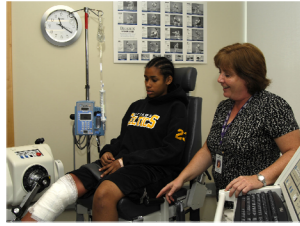
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A whole team of professionals will look after your child or youth when you come to CHEO. Here are some of the people you might meet.

Audiologists/ Auditory-Verbal Therapists

provide an assessment of hearing loss in children and youth, and develop a treatment plan to manage long-term hearing loss.

Child Life Specialists

help children learn, play and take part in creative projects while in hospital. They are also trained in “medical play” - to assist children in understanding their illness and help them cope with anxious feelings they may have.

Child & Youth Counsellors

support patients and families by addressing difficult behaviors through prevention and treatment. Counseling and interventions can include one-on-one or sessions for the entire family.

Dental Hygienists

provide dental cleaning for children and youth who have other medical conditions and need special dental care.

Dietitians

provide nutritional guidance and information. Dietitians can identify problems with nutrition and develop plans to help children, youth and their families with healthy nutrition.

Genetic Counsellors

provide information about genetic disorders and risks to help patients make decisions about their health, their pregnancies or their children’s health.

Medical Laboratory Technologists

perform medical tests on blood, body fluids and tissues. The results of these tests help the medical staff to determine the right treatment plan for each patient.

Medial Radiation Technologists/ Ultrasonographers

perform diagnostic imaging examinations (i.e. X-rays, CT scans, MRI, ultrasounds).

Neurophysiology Technologists

perform simple painless tests to record brain waves called E.E.G (done by applying special wires called electrodes). Also, depending on the need, some tests are done to check nerves in the hands and legs.

Nurses

provide care to patients in all areas of the hospital, including inpatient unites, outpatient clinics and the Emergency Department. Nurses will asses patients and provide a number of treatments, in keeping with the patient’s treatment plan.

Occupational Therapists

provide assessment, therapy and consultation to children with motor, developmental and social emotional difficulties. Therapists help children find ways to be successful in managing daily activities.

Pharmacists

prepare and provide medications. They also work with families and other health care professionals to optimize therapy, as well as to prevent and resolve drug-related problems.