

MISSION

Easterseals Redwood's mission is to advance 100% equity, access, and workforce inclusion for people with disabilities, people facing disadvantages, and veterans. Our services impact the lives of people throughout their lifespan and the lives of their families.

OVERVIEW & HISTORY

The story of Easterseals Redwood is a story of love, dedication and community. Easterseals Redwood was formed when Easterseals Serving Greater Cincinnati and Redwood joined together in August 2022 to expand our services across state lines. Both organizations were founded by parents seeking brighter futures for their children with disabilities. Building on Easterseals' 100+ year history and Redwood's 70-year history, Easterseals Redwood continues to enrich education, enhance health, expand employment, and elevate community in the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky region. Together, we are helping more people with disabilities, people with disadvantages, and veterans thrive, through our comprehensive services and compassionate care.



EVERY YEAR,
MORE THAN 7,000
PEOPLE TURN TO
EASTERSEALS
REDWOOD.
THEY
DREAM BIG.
THEY WANT TO
EXPERIENCE
THE PRIDE OF
ACCOMPLISHMENT,
BELONGING, AND
PURPOSE.
THIS IS WHERE
EASTERSEALS
REDWOOD SHINES
THROUGH.



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CHILDREN'S SERVICES

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MEDICAL CHILDCARE PRESCRIBED PEDIATRIC EXTENDED CARE (PPEC)

Specialized Health Care

Children with complex medical needs receive specialized health care by on-site RNs and LPNs in an all-inclusive classroom environment. Classroom-based teachers create theme-based lesson plans and activities to promote social/emotional, physical, cognitive and speech development in children of all abilities. Easterseals Redwood's medical childcare program and early childcare program is the only fully integrated service in the area. Our on-site speech, physical, occupational therapies, child life specialist, consultation with physicians, and dietary programs ensure children are receiving their own highly specialized and individualized plan of care.

Along with each child's primary care physician, our team of RNs, therapists and teachers work together with families to offer the best medical and educational experience for each child.

Our team recognizes firsthand that finding care for your child with complex medical needs can be very stressful and the expense can be extremely burdensome. Our medical childcare program is a licensed PPEC program that is fully funded by Kentucky Medicaid. This is NOT based on family income, therefore if approved based on medical need, there is no cost to families.

Our highly experienced staff will assist in navigating the Medicaid admission process. Infants and children 20 years or younger are considered for admission for PPEC if they have complex medical conditions requiring skilled nursing or require any form of health interventions.

The medical childcare is housed inside of the Early Care and Educational classrooms. The program is nationally accredited and has a 5-star quality rating through the state of Kentucky.

EDUCATIONAL CARE

Developing skills for school and life success

Early Care & Education

Children with and without special needs prepare for kindergarten together as they actively participate in a natural flow of play, quality early learning experiences, and nurturing interactions with classroom teachers. The program is nationally accredited (NAEYC), has an excellent 5-star rating, and offers on-site nursing care.

The use of a nationally recognized curriculum in nursery, toddler, and preschool classrooms fosters the development of language, social-emotional, and physical skills.

Children attending the kindergarten readiness program will engage in activities in each of the developmental domains, allowing them to be social-emotionally, cognitively, and physically prepared for kindergarten and future school years.

Centers in each classroom are strategically designed for different age groups and organized into learning centers to promote exploration of educational materials while working to achieve and celebrate developmental milestones.

Additionally, Lead Teachers work on a tailored set of developmental related goals daily for each child in the classroom. These goals target fine/gross, social/emotional, and cognitive skills.

Medical School Age Child Care Program (PPEC)

Children and youth (ages 5-20) with medically complex conditions experience enriching activities, peer relationships, and opportunities to develop new skills and social/emotional competencies during after-school or out-of-school hours.

The School Age PPEC Program provides a package of comprehensive nursing, speech, physical and occupational therapy services all in the same area while the youth participate in a variety of age-appropriate activities.

Youth with medical conditions can learn new skills in a safe nurturing environment allowing their parents to work and/or attend school.

Some of the medical conditions may include but are not limited to: cerebral palsy, spina bifida, genetic disorders and many more. Our Medical School age program is a licensed PPEC program that is fully funded by Kentucky Medicaid, lessening the expense to the families. If you don't see your child's condition listed, do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to provide you with guidance of the admission process while navigating the funding source for approval.

Medical Summer Program for Children

For parents of children who are medically fragile, the summer months can be challenging to find all day care.

Our unique summer program offers all day services for children and youth 5-20 years of age through the licensed and Medicaid funded PPEC program. For 11 weeks in the summer, children will participate in theme-based adventures and activities while receiving individualized medical care from in-house RNs and LPNs. Specific plans of care are developed in consultation with the child's physician, the family, a child life specialist, and other professionals.

Mentors guide child interactions with peers to develop and stabilize social/emotional skills to ensure a smoother transition back to school in the fall.

Please contact us to learn how your child with medical needs may receive this type of program at no cost.

THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION

Easterseals Redwood is dedicated to helping children with disabilities reach their highest potential through therapeutic activities and services provided within Easterseals Redwood programs, through outpatient treatment, or in the home/community.

Therapy & Early Intervention

Children improve communication, social interaction, physical, cognitive, and behavioral skills required for school and daily living through the services of licensed speech, occupational, and physical therapists as well as Board Certified Behavior Analysts. Services include evaluation, direct therapy, consultation, and parent education for children enrolled in Easterseals Redwood programs, outpatient services, and home visitation. Therapy addresses developmental delays, alternative and augmentative communication, social thinking, sensory integration, seating/mobility, feeding, technology-based treatments, behavior, and other needs.

Assistive Technology

Children use simple and high-tech tools to enhance learning and encourage active participation in classroom settings, at home, and in the community. Families and educators help children to access adapted toys, educational materials, computers, communication devices, and other equipment through the Assistive Technology Resource Center. Assistive technology professionals provide evaluation, consultation, training, equipment loan, and other services.



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