

State of Alaska

Neurodevelopmental Outreach Clinic

- **This is a free screening and diagnostic clinic serving areas outside of Anchorage and Mat/Su to Native and Non-Alaska Native pediatric patients.** The Neurodevelopmental Clinic does not collect insurance for billing purposes. Patients who need to travel to the clinic host sites should arrange for a travel voucher through their primary care provider.
- The Neurodevelopmental medical staff offer impressions, treatment considerations, recommendations, and when appropriate, referral for additional testing at a diagnostic center. The consult is a problem-focused patient assessment and evaluation for children from 10 months to age 9 for a variety of neurodevelopmental conditions, with a special focus on autism.
- The Neurodevelopmental Clinic is a medical referral for specialty care, and referrals must be made by a Primary Care (PCP) or Early Intervention/Infant Learning Program (EI/ILP) provider. Referrals should include any developmental assessments, autism screens, educational evaluations, and related documentation available.
- The clinic medical staff evaluate the referrals for appropriateness. Both the referring provider and the family are contacted regarding the status of the referral, and alternative options are given to the family when a referral does not result in an appointment.
- During the 1.5-hour appointment, the provider will review patient history, conduct a physical assessment, and interview the family on developmental and/or behavioral concerns. The child must be present and awake for this evaluation. Families are encouraged to seek alternative care for other children at the time of the appointment.
- Within 30 days, the family and primary care provider will receive a summary of the evaluation, diagnosis when appropriate and follow-up recommendations. The Clinic team includes a Parent Navigator to help the family and provider with resources, education, and follow-up.
- Medical Staff:
 - **Dr. DeWayne Lazenby, M.D.** , Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrician
 - **Dr. Randall Zernzach, M.D.** ,Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrician
- Parent Navigation: **Stone Soup Group** provides professional parent navigation services, assisting and supporting the family to implement recommendations, coordinate appointments, access services, and locate financial resources.
- State of Alaska: Coordinates the clinic, manages referrals, and serves as the office of record.



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