

## BRITISH COLUMBIA PEDIATRIC FEEDING SERVICE PROVIDERS

### PROVINCIAL PROGRAMS

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<p>Regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BC (all health authorities)</li> </ul>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> BC Children’s Hospital Complex Feeding and Nutrition Service</p> <p><u>Address</u> 4480 Oak Street Vancouver, BC V6H 3V4</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Coordinator: Debby S Martins, RD</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 875-2345, local 5886 Fax: (604) 875-3244 Email: cfns@cw.bc.ca</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/clinics/complex-feeding-nutrition">http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/clinics/complex-feeding-nutrition</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - 0 to 18 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Outpatients with complex feeding and nutrition issues whose needs cannot be addressed by the community - Assessment for feeding difficulties related primarily to an underlying behavioral issue, mental health issue or oral-sensory issue are out of this clinic’s scope of practice.</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - Children are prioritized according to health and nutrition risk. - Waitlist times can vary depending on the number of referrals received and on the medical assessment needs. - Efforts will be made to coordinate clinic visits with other appointments.</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complex Feeding program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <i>If community supports are available:</i> consultative services only or short-term medical management, nutrition counseling and feeding therapy to children with complex nutritional and feeding needs that are refractory to treatment or difficult to manage by the community healthcare team. Community supports must be accessed before a referral to the CFNS is considered.</li> <li>o <i>If community supports are not available:</i> ongoing medical management, nutrition counseling and feeding therapy to children with complex nutritional and feeding needs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Steps to Feeding – Tube Transition clinic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 2 week, outpatient based, intensive feeding intervention designed to increase oral intake in medically stable children who are tube fed and for whom traditional methods of tube weaning have not been successful</li> <li>o Must have a safe swallow for oral feeding and drinking</li> <li>o Must be on bolus feeds by NG or g-tube</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Videofluoroscopic swallowing studies (VFSS) are available to patients of the Complex Feeding and Nutrition Service only.</li> </ul> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physician: pediatrician or gastroenterologist</li> <li>- Nurse</li> <li>- Dietitian</li> <li>- Occupational therapist</li> <li>- Social worker</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - The referral form is required and available from the <a href="#">website</a>.</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - A detailed referral by a physician, a nurse practitioner or a community feeding therapist is required. <b>Incomplete referrals will be sent back to the referring provider.</b> - Referrals can be emailed or faxed. <b>Faxed referrals must be clearly addressed to the Complex Feeding and Nutrition Service.</b> - If community supports are involved, <b>the pediatrician and community supports must be aware and in agreement with a referral to the CFNS.</b> Community supports may be contacted during the triage process. - If appropriate, referrals may be redirected to community resources. The referring physician will be informed.</p>

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<p>Regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BC (all health authorities)</li> </ul>	<p><u>Centre / Agency:</u> Sunny Hill Health Centre, at BC Children's Hospital</p> <p><u>Address</u> 4500 Oak Street Vancouver, BC V6H 3V4</p> <p><u>Contact person</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Feeding coordinator: Carolyn Chowne</li> <li>- Team leader / Neuromotor medical director: Dr. Ram Mishaal</li> </ul> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 875-2345, local 458348 Fax: (604) 453-8321 Email: cchowne@cw.bc.ca</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/sunny-hill-health-centre/our-services/feeding-nutrition">http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/sunny-hill-health-centre/our-services/feeding-nutrition</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 0 to 19 years</li> </ul> <p><u>Mandate</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Provide multidisciplinary assessment for children with a developmental disability and feeding concerns related to an oral motor or pharyngeal dysfunction. The focus is on swallowing safety.</li> <li>- Assessment for feeding difficulties related primarily to an underlying behavioral issue, mental health issue, or oral-sensory issues are out of this clinic's scope of practice.</li> </ul> <p><u>Booking Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two-day assessments take place at SHHC and BCCH.</li> <li>- When possible, attempts will be made to coordinate feeding appointments with other appointments for families traveling from outside the lower mainland (minimum of 6 weeks' notice is generally required).</li> </ul>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Primarily one-time consultation service that provides comprehensive evaluation of feeding and swallowing problems.</li> <li>- Consultation includes a health review, a nutrition assessment, an oral motor evaluation, and other assessments (such as videofluoroscopic swallowing study) as appropriate.</li> <li>- An oral-motor assessment / eating evaluation is conducted first to determine if a videofluoroscopy swallowing study (VFSS) is warranted to assess swallowing function.</li> <li>- An Upper GI is required for all children under the age of two years that undergo VFSS. The SHHC Feeding Team will coordinate this as part of the assessment.</li> <li>- A detailed report of assessment findings and recommendations will be sent to the referring physician and to the family.</li> <li>- Custom nutrition appointments may also be arranged for children requiring nutrition only.</li> <li>- Post-op G-tube set-up and training (inpatient admission) can also be provided (requires coordination with BCCH).</li> <li>- Services are typically provided on an outpatient basis at SHHC. However, on request, it may be possible to arrange feeding team assessments during a SHHC inpatient stay or occasionally through SHHC's Outreach Program or Telehealth.</li> <li>- Role also includes acting as resource to community, providing education and supporting research.</li> </ul> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Speech language pathologist</li> <li>- Occupational therapist</li> <li>- Dietitian</li> <li>- Developmental Pediatrician</li> <li>- Nurse clinician</li> <li>- Social work</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The referral form is required and available from the <a href="#">website</a>.</li> <li>- Fax referrals to (604) 453-8321, ATTN: Feeding Team.</li> <li>- Mail referrals to SHHC, ATTN: Feeding Team.</li> </ul> <p><u>Referral process</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A detailed referral by a pediatrician is required.</li> <li>- Pertinent medical information regarding complex feeding and swallowing difficulties, and growth charts are required.</li> <li>- If community supports are involved, the pediatrician and community supports must be aware and in agreement with the referral to SHHC Feeding Team.</li> <li>- The family will be contacted during the intake process. The community supports will also be contacted with family consent. If appropriate, referrals may be redirected to community resources.</li> </ul>

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<p>Regions: - BC (all health authorities)</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency:</u> BC Children’s Hospital Child and Adolescent Mental Health</p> <p><u>Address</u> Mental Health Building BC Children’s Hospital 4480 Oak Street Vancouver, BC V6H 3V4</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - N/A</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 875-2010 Fax: (604) 875-2099</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/mental-health-services">http://www.bcchildrens.ca/our-services/mental-health-services</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - 0 to 19 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - The Child and Youth Mental Health Program at BC Children's Hospital (Oak Street site) is a provincial resource providing mental health assessment and treatment for BC and Yukon children, youth, and their families.</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - N/A</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- When all other medical or physical causes have been ruled out and it is believed that feeding and swallowing concerns are a manifestation of an underlying behavioral, emotional, mood and/or anxiety issue, consider a referral to one of the following clinics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Infant Psychiatry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides outpatient consultation, diagnosis and treatment for children less than 5 years of age, where attachment concerns contribute to feeding difficulties.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Mood and Anxiety Disorders Clinic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides outpatient consultation, diagnosis and treatment recommendations for children and adolescents, ages 6 to 18 years, who have symptoms suggestive of a mood and/or anxiety disorder, including major depressive disorder, dysthymia, bipolar disorder, obsessive compulsive disorder, panic disorder, and generalized anxiety disorder.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Provincial Specialized Eating Disorders Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides consultation, diagnosis and treatment for ages 8 to 18 years who are able to engage in discussions about body image.</li> <li>o Must meet tertiary level medical or psychiatric criteria, such as complex medical/psychiatric comorbidity, significantly low weight, failure to thrive or medical instability.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>- For comprehensive list of programs please see website.</li> <li>- Priority is given to tertiary care cases that cannot be serviced in the community, and to consultations. Programs complement community-based mental health centres by providing specialized consultation, outreach, and education services.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The referral form is available from the website – follow links to access referral forms for specific programs.</li> </ul> <p><u>Referral process</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A physician referral is required.</li> <li>- The referral form must be completed in full and must include all required documentation, including all relevant assessments or reports.</li> <li>- Referrals can be sent by fax or by mail.</li> <li>- <b>Note:</b> Do not submit a referral form if you are requesting an Urgent Assessment or an Inpatient admission, or referring an Eating Disorders patient because of medical acuity. In such cases, please contact intake directly to discuss at (604) 875-2010.</li> </ul>

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<p>Regions: - BC (all health authorities)</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency:</u> Infant Development Program (IDP)</p> <p><u>Address and contact information</u> Available throughout BC</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="https://icdabc.ca/programs/infant-development-program/">https://icdabc.ca/programs/infant-development-program/</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - 0 to 3 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Children who are at risk for, or already have, a delay in development</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - May offer feeding evaluations, treatment and follow-up including family support. - Services vary depending on region and agency throughout the province of BC. Confirm feeding services offered with the individual IDP.</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - IDP consultant - Occupational Therapists - Speech &amp; Language Pathologists - Services vary depending on region and agency throughout the province of BC. Confirm feeding services offered with the individual IDP.</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - Contact the individual IDP for their referral form.</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Referral process varies by IDP. Contact the individual IDP for their referral form.</p>
<p>Regions: - BC (all health authorities)</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency:</u> Child Development Centre (CDC)</p> <p><u>Address and contact information</u> Available throughout BC</p> <p><u>Website</u> N/A</p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - 0 to 5 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Children who are at risk for, or already have, a developmental delay</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - May offer feeding evaluations, treatment and follow-up including family support. - Services vary depending on region and agency throughout the province of BC. Confirm feeding services offered with the individual CDC.</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - Occupational therapist - Speech-language pathologist - Social worker - Services vary depending on region and agency throughout the province of BC. Confirm feeding services offered with the individual CDC.</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - Contact the individual CDC for their referral form.</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Referral process varies by CDC. Contact the individual CDC for their referral form.</p>

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### LOWER MAINLAND – VANCOUVER

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Regions: - Vancouver	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> Vancouver Paediatric Team</p> <p><u>Address</u> 2110 West 43rd Ave Vancouver, BC V6M 2E1</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Program coordinator: Ingrid Kusnierczyk</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: 604-267-2606 Fax: 604-261-7220 Email: Ingrid.Kusnierczyk@vch.ca</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.vch.ca/infantchildyouth/pediatric_team.htm">http://www.vch.ca/infantchildyouth/pediatric_team.htm</a></p>	<p><u>Ages and mandate</u> - 5 to 19 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Funding through MCFD for school aged therapy program. - Feeding support for children attending Vancouver public schools for school aged therapy program. - Private schools may contract services from VPT.</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - No wait time for children who require Safe Feeding Plans as identified as high priority for service. - Feeding Consults may have a wait time of up to 3 months.</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - Collaboration and coordination of services with families and other health care professionals and school support staff around the area of feeding. - Develop and implement Safe Feeding Plans for students who have documented risk of aspiration or who are at high risk of choking and do not have a safe method of taking in nutrition. Monitor feeding concerns and make changes to Safe Feeding Plans as needed. - Feeding consultations in schools for students who are safe feeders but may have physical, sensory or behavioural challenges that hinder their ability to be independent with eating and require support for meals and/or the meal time routine.</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - Occupational therapist - Physiotherapy - Nursing - Social Work</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - The referral form is available from the <a href="#">website</a>.</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Completed referrals can be faxed or mailed</p>

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<p>Regions: - Vancouver</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> Alan Cashmore Centre Vancouver Community Mental Health Service</p> <p><u>Address</u> 1669 East Broadway, Suite 420 Vancouver, BC V5N 1V9</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Clinical supervisor: Sherry-Lynn Lidemark</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 675-3996 x 21304 Fax: (604) 454-0959</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.vch.ca/locations-services/result?res_id=81">http://www.vch.ca/locations-services/result?res_id=81</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> 0 to 5 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Treatment and support for families who have concerns about their child’s ability to manage in two or more of the following areas of development: social, emotional and/or behavioral development.</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - 2 to 4 months</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Talking with parents/caregivers about their concerns for their child and/or parenting.</li> <li>- Working with the child and parent together to help understand their relationship.</li> <li>- Using play, individually or in a group setting, to help the child understand his or her feelings.</li> <li>- Working with the child and parent together to promote language development.</li> <li>- Meeting with parents/caregivers for support and education about parenting.</li> <li>- Early Childhood Centre Outreach Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides hands-on support and consultation to childcare staff in their own centres.</li> <li>o Enhances staff confidence and skill in caring for children with behavioural, social or emotional difficulties.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Education &amp; Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides information about early childhood mental health to childcare centres, community health centres, family places, and neighbourhood houses.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Family and Child Therapists</li> <li>- Child Psychiatrists</li> <li>- Child Care Counselors</li> <li>- Speech-language pathologist</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - N/A</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Referrals from caregivers or healthcare professionals are accepted - Phone Clinical Supervisor for referrals.</p>

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### LOWER MAINLAND – RICHMOND

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<p>Regions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Richmond</li> </ul>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> Richmond Early Childhood Mental Health Program</p> <p><u>Address</u> Richmond Hospital Child Health Centre 7000 Westminster Hwy Richmond, BC V6X 1A2</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Program administrator: Stacie Billings</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 278-9711 x 4055 Fax: (604) 233-5620</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="https://www.richmondkids.ca/en/programs/health-early-child-development/richmond-early-childhood-mental-health-program">https://www.richmondkids.ca/en/programs/health-early-child-development/richmond-early-childhood-mental-health-program</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> 0 to 5 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Assessment and treatment for families and children residing in Richmond with emotional/behavioral problems, such as:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Issues relating to uncontrollable temper tantrums; defiance; aggressiveness; hostility; sibling rivalry; extreme shyness; difficulty separating from parent</li> <li>o Behavioral patterns that affect sleeping; feeding; toilet training</li> <li>o Concerns about anxiety; depression; phobias; trauma</li> <li>o Issues relating to attachment and bonding</li> <li>o Parent-child relationship difficulties</li> <li>o Concerns around development</li> </ul> </p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - 2 to 8 months</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Talking with parents/caregivers about their concerns for their child's eating or other parenting concerns.</li> <li>- Feeding assessment including full psychiatric consult and observation of caregiver feeding the child/parent-child interaction.</li> <li>- Working with the child and parent together to help understand and improve their relationship.</li> <li>- Using play, individually or in a familial setting, to help the child understand his or her feelings.</li> <li>- Parenting groups to help parents develop further skills and better understand their child.</li> <li>- Meeting with parents/caregivers for support and education about parenting, including behavioral strategies around feeding issues.</li> <li>- Early Childhood Centre Outreach Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides hands-on support and consultation to childcare staff in their own centres.</li> <li>o Enhances staff confidence and skill in caring for children with behavioural, social or emotional difficulties.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Education &amp; Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Provides information about early childhood mental health to childcare centres and community health centres.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Community Outreach with visits to drop-in playgroups run by Richmond Family Place</li> </ul> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Child psychiatrists</li> <li>- Child clinical psychologist</li> <li>- Social worker</li> <li>- Counselor/mental health clinician</li> <li>- Students</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The referral form is available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o from the website</li> <li>o by fax upon request at (604) 278-9711 x 4055</li> <li>o by visiting the office during regular office hours</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Referral process</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A physician referral is required.</li> <li>- Completed referrals can be faxed.</li> </ul>

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**FRASER VALLEY**

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<p>Regions: - Fraser Health Authority</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> Surrey Memorial Hospital, Child / Youth Services, Feeding Team</p> <p><u>Address</u> 13750 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue Surrey, BC V3V 1Z2</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Kim Breitreutz, OT - Donna Hartmann, SLP</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 585-5666 x 778709 Fax: (604) 585-5568 Email: kimberly.breitreutz@fraserhealth.ca donna.hartmann@fraserhealth.ca</p> <p><u>Website</u> N/A</p>	<p><u>Ages</u> 0 to 16 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Patients must reside within Fraser Health boundaries or be admitted to SMH - All inpatients with feeding difficulties. Outpatients with feeding difficulties who do not have a diagnosed developmental delay (including autism).</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - Will be prioritized according to urgency and level of risk.</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - Clinical feeding assessment and ongoing follow-up - Telephone consultation. - Liaison with and referrals to external services</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - Occupational therapist - Speech-language pathologist - A dietitian may be accessed if needed through the outpatient pediatric nutrition clinic</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> N/A</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - A physician referral is not required at this time. - Completed referrals should be faxed.</p>



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<p>Regions: - Fraser South: Surrey, White Rock, Langley, North Delta, South Delta</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> The Centre for Child Development, Eating Skills Team</p> <p><u>Address</u> 9460 140<sup>th</sup> Street Surrey, BC V4G 1K2</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Andrea Rowan, SLP - Alison Laswick, MD</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 584-1361 Fax: (604) 583-5113 Email: andrea@the-centre.org alison@the-centre.org</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="https://the-centre.org/eating-skills/">https://the-centre.org/eating-skills/</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> 0 to 19 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Infants and children with developmental disabilities with significant swallowing safety issues, nutritional concerns or transitioning from tube to oral feeding - Infants and children must be referred to The Centre for Child Development OT or SLP services, or receive one of these services (preschool and school age)</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - 2 to 8 weeks once physician referral has been received - Emergency spots are available in urgent cases</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - Primarily centre-based team assessment and consultation but ability for therapists to do home-based consultations when indicated - Provide assessment and consultation support to a primary clinician / therapist, usually an OT or SLP, who will provide ongoing intervention for swallowing concerns. - If a primary therapist is not yet in place, the team provides follow-up in the interim.</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - Consultant developmental pediatrician - Occupational therapist - Speech-language pathologist - Registered dietitian - Social worker – family services support as required - Psychology support as required</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> <a href="https://the-centre.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/CDC-Referral-Form.pdf">https://the-centre.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/CDC-Referral-Form.pdf</a></p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Physician referral clearly stating reason for referral and/or question is required. - Pertinent medical and therapy reports are required.</p>

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### VANCOUVER / NORTH SHORE / RICHMOND / BURNABY

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<p><u>Regions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Early Intervention Therapy: Vancouver, North Shore, Richmond, Burnaby</li> </ul>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> BC Centre for Ability</p> <p><u>Address</u> 2805 Kingsway Vancouver, BC</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 451-5511 Fax: (604) 451-5651</p> <p>- Agency contacts: Please visit the website for the most up to date contact information. Or call 604-451-5511 and ask for EIT intake coordinator.</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.bc-cfa.org">www.bc-cfa.org</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Early Intervention Therapy: 0 to 5 years</li> </ul> <p><u>Mandate</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Children who have ho have physical, neurological, and intellectual or developmental disabilities.</li> <li>- Children demonstrating at risk feeding including: failure to thrive, oral motor difficulties, aspiration concerns are seen by a therapist on our Feeding Team prior to transitioning over to their regional therapists.</li> </ul> <p><u>Average Waitlist times</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Children are prioritized based on needs and potential impact of feeding difficulty.</li> <li>- Prioritized feeding related concerns: Feeding Team therapists are in contact with the family within 3 weeks of completion of intake plan.</li> <li>- Non prioritized feeding related concerns: assessed in a screening consult within 3 months of completion of intake plan.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early Intervention Therapy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Feeding Team:</i> Team may consist of OT or SLP. Service includes functional assessment, recommendations for home/community settings, and follow up to acute care. Therapists work in collaboration with community health programs. Therapist follow until feeding concern is resolved or until regional therapist is able to start service.</li> <li>○ Once the child is transition off the Feeding Team they are seen by an OT or SLP working within their geographic <b>region</b> who supports all occupational performance and/or communication and language needs in addition to feeding.</li> <li>○ Approaches to Sensory Feeding Challenges parent workshop offered seasonally with partner dietitian (as available).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral form</u> <a href="https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UmnMh4ElekyiUIKRRPni-SvB_D5_LTdLmldSNXCWgdURTdKQ01DRzdNQkc5MFVMUINWUVIPQTJQMCQIQCN0PWcu">https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=UmnMh4ElekyiUIKRRPni-SvB_D5_LTdLmldSNXCWgdURTdKQ01DRzdNQkc5MFVMUINWUVIPQTJQMCQIQCN0PWcu</a></p> <p><u>Referral Process</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Early Intervention Therapy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Parent or community partner may refer. Parent must consent to referral.</li> <li>○ Referrals reviewed and additional information collected by intake coordinator.</li> <li>○ No communication with other providers without the consent of the family.</li> <li>○ Medical documentation to support decisions regarding prioritization of feeding needs is helpful.</li> <li>○ Online referral (see link above) is preferred. However paper referrals also accepted by Fax: 604-451-5651</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<p><u>Regions:</u> - School Aged Therapy: North and West Vancouver School Districts</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> BC Centre for Ability</p> <p><u>Address</u> 2805 Kingsway Vancouver, BC</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (604) 451-5511 Fax: (604) 451-5651</p> <p>- Agency contacts: Please visit the website for the most up to date contact information.</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="http://www.bc-cfa.org">www.bc-cfa.org</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - School Aged Therapy: K -12</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Children who have neurological and/or developmental challenges and their families.</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - School Aged Therapy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In North and West Vancouver School Districts, OTs address eating challenges of students referred by the school district. (primarily supporting modified diets due to oral motor challenges and aspiration concerns)</li> <li>○ Implementation in school setting of recommendations from community care providers (such as Recommendations from Videofluoroscopy assessment)</li> <li>○ Provision of Mealtime/Safety Plan for Feeding and staff training is provided as needed.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Referral Process</u> - School Aged Therapy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Students must be referred by school districts.</li> <li>○ Families and community partners approach their school based team to initiate a referral.</li> <li>○ School Learning Support Teacher or case manager supports processing of appropriate referrals.</li> <li>○ Signed parental/guardian consent is required for School Therapy Team referral and communication with other service providers.</li> </ul>

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<p>Regions: - Vancouver Island</p>	<p><u>Centre / Agency</u> Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing Service – Queen Alexandra Center for Children’s Health Vancouver Island Health Authority</p> <p><u>Address</u> 2400 Arbutus Road Victoria, BC V8N 1V7</p> <p><u>Contact person</u> - Program coordinator: Christine White, SLP</p> <p><u>Contact information</u> Phone: (250) 519-6917 Fax: (250) 519-6937 Email: christine.white@viha.ca</p> <p><u>Website</u> <a href="https://www.islandhealth.ca/our-services/children-youth-rehabilitation-services/pediatric-feeding-swallowing-clinic">https://www.islandhealth.ca/our-services/children-youth-rehabilitation-services/pediatric-feeding-swallowing-clinic</a></p>	<p><u>Ages</u> - 0 to 19 years</p> <p><u>Mandate</u> - Assessment, consultation and program planning for infant, children and youth living on Vancouver Island with feeding and swallowing difficulties.</p> <p><u>Average waitlist times</u> - Wait times can vary</p>	<p><u>Services / Programs</u> - The Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing Service (PFSS) is a cross program service offered by the Queen Alexandra Centre For Children’s Health. - Assessment, Videofluoroscopic Swallow Studies (VFSS), consultation, program planning, tube feeding services and the Pediatric Feeding and Swallowing Clinic are all part of the PFSS.</p> <p><u>Team may consist of:</u> - Occupational therapist - Speech-language pathologist - Dietitian - Physician</p>	<p><u>Referral form</u> - The referral form is available from the website</p> <p><u>Referral process</u> - Contact Child and Family Rehabilitation Services Intake at (250) 519-6763 or (250) 519-6967.</p>