

## About PACT: Helping Children with Special Needs

PACT was established in 1981 as a private, nonprofit organization, and became an affiliate of the Kennedy Krieger Institute in 1998. PACT retains its own 501(c)(3) status and a separate board of directors, and is responsible for securing funding for its programs.

The mission of PACT is to promote the development of young children with special needs, and their families, through specialized child care, early intervention services, family support services, parent education, counseling, and professional training.

Through ongoing staff training and continuous interactions with other providers, PACT keeps abreast of the latest techniques for helping children with complex needs. PACT has taken a leadership role in the field by designing and implementing programs not available anywhere else in the Baltimore metropolitan region.



PACT: Helping Children with Special Needs is a partner agency of the United Way of Central Maryland.



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# World of Care



Specialized child care for children with medical conditions

We are all born with great potential. Shouldn't we all have the chance to achieve it?





"There was no other specialized child care program that offered the kind of full-time nursing care that Nicholas needed. I don't know where we'd be today without PACT."

-World of Care parent

#### **Our Program**

PACT's World of Care specialized child care center is designed to meet the individual needs of children who have medical conditions requiring daily nursing care and children with developmental disabilities who require multiple therapies (physical, occupational, or speech/language).

While we accept typically developing children, priority for admission is given to children who are medically fragile or have developmental delays or disabilities.

World of Care is accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education and licensed by the Maryland Office of Child Care Administration.

#### **Services We Offer**

We offer a nurturing, safe environment for up to 54 children with a wide range of abilities. Our classrooms are bright and well-equipped with developmentally appropriate toys, books, and arts and crafts supplies. The indoor and outdoor play areas are designed and equipped to meet the individual needs of the children. Our services include the following:

- Quality child care
- Daily nursing assessments and interventions
- Physical, occupational, and speech/language therapies
- Family counseling, support, and coordination with community services and resources
- Help with facilitating the transition to schools and other settings
- Collaboration with the child's pediatrician and other healthcare providers and therapists
- After-school care for children ages three and four

#### **Admission Criteria**

To be admitted to World of Care, families must have:

- Children from six weeks to five years of age
- Documentation of their child's special needs or medical condition (if applicable)

#### **Our Team**

We maintain, on average, a one-to-three staff-to-child ratio. Our staff includes:

- Specially trained child care staff
- Nurses
- Physical and occupational therapists
- Speech-language pathologists
- Social workers

## Fees

Medical assistance, child care vouchers, and parent payment based on a sliding fee scale are all accepted.

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.



### **Contact Information**

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