

VANCOUVER ISLAND HEALTH AUTHORITY – Child Youth and Family Health - Rehabilitation Services
Clinics held at Queen Alexandra Centre for Children’s Health, Victoria, BC

	CLEFT LIP/PALATE CLINIC (1964) (1981)	NEUROMUSCULAR CLINIC (1978)	PEDIATRIC FEEDING & SWALLOWING CLINIC (1989)	VISUAL IMPAIRMENT CLINIC (1989)	SPINAL CLINIC	SCHOOL AGE CLINIC
Administration	Audrey Gibson	Audrey Gibson	Audrey Gibson	Audrey Gibson	Audrey Gibson	Audrey Gibson
Clinic Coordinator	Melissa Armstrong, SLP	Lynn Purves, PT	Phil Harmuth, SLP	Hillary Luis, SW	Alain Plouffe, Orthotist	Lynn Purves, PT
CORE Team Members (including PARENTS for all Clinics)	Clinic Coordinator Speech-Language Pathologist Pediatrician, Medical Coordinator Otorhinolaryngologist Pedodontist Plastic Surgeons Nurse Orthodontist Social Worker, Audiologist	Clinic Coordinator Physiotherapists Orthopedic Surgeon Orthotists Occupational Therapist	Clinic Coordinator/Speech-Language Pathologist Dietitian Nurse (needs basis) Occupational Therapist Pediatrician Speech-Language Pathologist	Clinic Coordinator Social Worker Occupational Therapist Ophthalmologist Pediatric Neurologist Physiotherapist Speech-Language Pathologist Vision Consultant	Clinic Coordinator Orthopedic Surgeon Physiotherapist Certified Orthotist	Clinic Coordinator Physiotherapist Occupational Therapist Orthotist
Region Served	Vancouver Island	Primarily S Vancouver Island	Vancouver Island	Vancouver Island	Vancouver Island	Greater Victoria Area: Local School Districts only
Clinic Registry/ Population Served	221 (active) Children born with cleft lip, cleft palate, cleft lip & palate, submucous cleft &/or significant velarpharyngeal insufficiency. Infants with clefts are typically identified at birth and referred that day. Children followed through age eighteen years.	318 Infants, children, and adolescents who have an orthopedic or neuromotor disability that requires treatment or monitoring by OT's/PT's at QAC. Children who do not meet this requirement can be reviewed at the discretion of the Clinic Coordinator.	7 active/month Children with severe feeding and oral-motor problems, chronic upper respiratory problems, suspected aspiration, lack of weight gain and/or failure to thrive. Children are eligible through age eighteen years.	52 (active) Children/adolescents diagnosed with visual impairments &/or cortical blindness that impose a significant visual disability. For many children, there are associated medical/functional disabilities as well. Children are followed through age eighteen years	112 Children/adolescents under the age of 18 years, presenting with spinal deformities, i.e. scoliosis, scheurmanns, spondylolythesis, idiopathic in nature. There may or may not be associated back pain. Children presently with a curvature are reviewed regardless of the degree to ensure that curves at risk of progression are monitored.	138 Children/adolescents aged 6-19 years With complex orthopedic and/or equipment needs. Children who require only periodic review of mobility or orthotics.
Services	- Comprehensive assessment, program planning, and treatment by a team of specialists based on needs identified by parents, patients, and/or professionals involved. - Speech and language therapy for the preschool population. - Counselling, educational and support services for families, particularly during the infant - early preschool years.	- A forum to formulate a coordinated orthopedic and therapeutic treatment plan. Orthotic devices are reviewed and ordered for most QAC children through the NMC. Seating/positioning needs are discussed. - An opportunity for parents to discuss their child's needs and to hear an exchange of ideas regarding treatment.	- Multidisciplinary assessment by the Team specialists. - Recommendations for families/caregivers and treating physicians regarding management, as part of the consultative service. - A mealtime program and training for families and caregivers if appropriate. - Support and counselling services for families.	- Multidisciplinary assessments by Team specialists to assist with planning for the needs of the child and family. - Support, counselling, and educational services for families and those providing ongoing care.	- Multidisciplinary team approach to assessments, monitoring and management, brace or surgical needs. - Proper instruction in exercise for core strength and flexibility is provided. - Physiotherapy provided in combination with brace management. - Family support and educational services are provided. - Children are reviewed every six months or on a more frequent basis if required.	OT and/or PT consultation and review at the request of their School Age Therapy Program therapist.
Frequency of Clinics	Once a month x 11 months	Once a month x 11 months	Once a month x 11 months	5 Clinics a year, September to June	Once a month, 11 months a year	Weekly x 11 months
# of Children seen per Clinic	6-7	16	7 (5-6 in July)	2	20	4 per week
# of Children seen per Year	66-77	176	77	10	240	44