VISION REHABILITATION



WHAT IS VISION REHABILITATION?

Vision rehabilitation helps with vision issues beyond just clear sight. Vision rehabilitation is included in regular occupational therapy sessions after a vision specialist does a formal assessment and makes recommendations. Therapists work closely with vision specialists, developmental optometrists, ophthalmologists and families to make the best plan for the child.

WHO CAN THIS PROGRAM HELP?

This program is designed for kids with visual processing concerns and is most helpful when started at a young age.

Common signs of visual processing concerns include:

- Trouble learning to read and write letters and sentences and reversing letters and numbers
- Handwriting and drawing is messy and outside of the lines
- Skipping words or lines when reading
- Slower than peers at reading and writing tasks or not finishing at all
- Difficulty with jigsaw puzzles, dot-to-dots, etc.
- Trouble following visual targets
- Very clumsy and has poor body awareness
- Trouble with right/left directions
- Knowledge doesn't match school performance



TREATMENT FOCUS

Visual rehabilitation helps kids with:

- Following moving objects or switching focus from one target to another
- · The ability to see and understand visual information
- Body awareness as related to vision and movement
- · Hand-eye coordination
- · Reaching across the midline of the body
- Visual processing speed
- · Primitive reflex integration
- Low vision, such as blurred vision, blind spots or tunnel vision
- · Visual neglect or inattention, loss of vision on one side

EQUIPMENT

ChildServe uses specialized equipment with this program, including:

- Bioness Integrated Therapy System: An interactive touch screen that is used to evaluate and improve abilities
- Prism: A type of lens that shifts the visual field in a certain direction



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