

Family story



"Our youngest son Andrew was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder when he was 4 years old. He began an IBI program with Leaps & Bounds in September 2001, showing an overall developmental delay of more than 2 years, as well as many behavioural and attention difficulties. We have been enormously impressed by the skill and professionalism of the therapists at Leaps & Bounds, and overwhelmed by their genuine affection and caring for our child.

Andrew has caught up to his peer group (age 6), with his overall cognitive abilities in the Average Range (53rd percentile) and his Nonverbal Abilities in the Above Average Range (79th percentile).

Andrew is a happy, pleasant little boy, discovering a whole new world thanks to his Leaps & Bounds therapists. Our whole family has benefitted greatly from working with Leaps & Bounds."

Mr. & Mrs. Lowrey, Parents
Orillia, Ontario

Parents speak

"When our three-year-old autistic granddaughter entered Leaps and Bounds she was unable to talk and was barely conscious of her surroundings. Her deep frustrations found expression in long, heartrending tantrums. In just over a year, in the hands of affectionate, enthusiastic, and well-trained therapists working with conscientious supervisors and expert psychologists she has made great strides in her language and social skills. At school she interacts with other children and adults, at home she has become a loving member of her supportive family. Working closely with parents the staff responds to the ever-changing needs of each individual child.

It is an inspiration to see the school in action. "

Dr. and Mrs. E., Grandparents

"Connecting with Deanna and the therapists at Leaps & Bounds was definitely a positive move for our son Oliver. They customized a wonderful program for him to teach academics, social skills and play skills. They assisted with his integration into junior kindergarten, supported our family through challenging times and continue to do so."

Mr. & Mrs. B., Parents

His therapist is great with Matthew... firm yet kind. She persists with him until he follows through, then is rewarded and now also better understands consequences. Her approach to teaching is simple, yet so effective and I continue to learn a lot about working with Matthew through her."

Mrs. R., Mother

Contact us for a consultation

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For individuals with Autism
and other related disorders



Assessment Clinic Day Programming Services

Building Blocks for the future

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Developmental disorders**

Assessment clinic

Our assessment services are directed by Dr. David Factor. We offer psychological and psycho-educational assessments for children and adolescents.

Assessments are available for individuals with autism and related disorders as well as for individuals with attention deficit disorder, learning disabilities and for individuals with behavioural and emotional Difficulties.

Our renowned Premiere, centre- based program is unique in Ontario.

It is the only program offering on site ABA/VB as well as on site integration in regular class settings. Our unique program allows children the enriched experience of learning skills in a one to one therapeutic setting and generalizing these new skills to their peers and other adults in the appropriate integrated classroom.

Day Programming services

**Applied Behavioural Analysis /
Intensive Behavioural Intervention
Verbal Behaviour**

Programming is individualized for each child based on a functional and developmental assessment.

The Program targets the following areas:

- Attending Skills
- Imitative Skills
- Receptive Language
- Expressive Language
- Cognitive Skills
- Pre-Academic and Academic Skills
- School Readiness Skills
- Gross and Fine Motor Skills
- Play and Social Skills
- Self Help Skills
- Toileting Training
- Negative Behaviours

The Program uses:

- Prompt and Prompt Fading Techniques
- Reinforcement
- Generalization Strategies
- Incidental Teaching Techniques

Programs are designed in part, based on a task analysis and data is collected daily.

A.B.A. / I.B.I. intervention involves discrete trial training or teaching repetition, both in a controlled and natural environment. Our programs use positive behaviour modification techniques to teach children functional skills to use at home, school and in the community.

All programming is supervised by a senior therapist and psychologist.

Other Leaps & Bounds services

Leaps & Bounds services are available to individuals in their home, schools, and at the day program site.

They are the following:

- A.B.A. / I.B.I.
- Therapeutic Day Programs
- Direct Instruction
- Behaviour Management
- Social Skills Training
- Play Skills Training
- Tutoring
- Respite
- Parent Training Programs
- Community Support
- March Break and summer programs for school aged children