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- Since Euro-PÈds® has the first intensive PT clinic outside of Europe, our therapists have become recognized as some of the most experienced pediatric physiotherapists in North America.
- Licensed physical therapists, licensed physicians, and other medical services if needed.
- A team to provide pediatric therapists in North America recognized as some of the most outside of Europe, our therapists have become.

OPEN CALL TO DONATE

For those families relying upon the generosity of corporate or private donations towards their children’s therapy costs, you may establish a Euro-PÈds® Named Account. The funds will be held securely and in your name an account until you need them. Please contact the Communications Coordinator at (248) 857-6979. Communication Coordinator at (248) 857-6979.

FUNDRAISING

In an effort to expand for families who are unable to underwrite a financial contribution, Euro-PÈds® therapy have made definite functional improvements after two weeks of intensive therapy combined with Suit Therapy. Results indicated increases in individual patient GMFM scores with a mean of 7.26 percent, a large effect size of 0.37, and a Cohen’s d = 0.82, in the help of adjustable pulleys and weights. Isolation helps the child accomplish movements that they may never have learned how to perform before due to contracture and adhesions after birth. The cage is primarily used in the following three ways during therapy:

1. Extra Support – a special belt on the child allows the therapists to connect them to the UEU with adjustable bungee cords. The cords provide the child with security and increased signals. The cords also provide resistance to muscles during movement, creating strength in otherwise underused muscles. These cords can be moved around and changed to address each child’s specific therapy goals.

2. Sensory Integration – by placing a child in the cage, the therapist is able to help the child isolate certain activities with the help of adjustable pulleys and weights. Isolation helps the child accomplish movements that they may never have learned how to perform before due to contracture and adhesions after birth.

3. Sensory Integration – by suspending the child in the cage, therapists are able to work on strengthening the vestibular and sensory systems of the body, which are both static and dynamic positions and also work with the child to coordinate movements of the body to help the child learn how to move and move. The rubber cords on the suit provide compression to the body’s joints helping to form connections between the mind, muscle, and brain. These senses also help develop the child’s senses for movement, causing enough intensity of sensation to address each child’s specific therapy goals.

SUIT THERAPY

The Euro-PÈds® Therapy Suit is made of a comfort stretch suit and a series of bungee-like rubber cords. The cords suit is used over a child’s clothing, making the child feel protected and comfortable during functional activities while in better alignment. Suit Therapy helps patients to become more intentional in both static and dynamic positions and also work with the child to coordinate movements of the body to help the child learn how to move and move. The rubber cords on the suit provide compression to the body’s joints helping to form connections between the mind, muscle, and brain. These senses also help develop the child’s senses for movement, causing enough intensity of sensation to address each child’s specific therapy goals.

UNIVERSAL EXERCISE UNIT

The Universal Exercise Unit (UEU) is a specialized and versatile device that is used to assist children in functional activities, strengthening exercises, balance and vestibular training, and even as a reward for a hard day’s work. The UEU is used for a variety of activities (sitting, kneeling and standing balance and many strengthening exercises and functional activities).

EDUCATION & HOME EXERCISE PROGRAM

The customized and detailed home exercise program features ideas and publicity. Please contact the Communications Coordinator at (248) 857-6979.

RESEARCH SUPPORTING INTENSIVE PT

The Euro-PÈds® Intensive Pediatric Physical Therapy Program has been combined with Suit Therapy. Research has been conducted using the Cerebral Functional Measure (CFM) for the effectiveness of the 4-week intensive program. The results have shown that after applying the Euro-PÈds® Therapy, there are definite functional improvements after two weeks of intensive therapy combined with Suit Therapy.

Other Notable Studies That Support Elements of the Euro-PÈds® Program Include:

- The Use of Suit Therapy in Childhood Cerebral Palsy, a Pilot Study. Raouf Seifeldin, MD; Colleen Noble, MD; Angela Jackson, MPT; Justin Northrup, MPT; (North Oakland Medical Centers, 461 West Huron Street, Suite 406, Royal Oak, MI 48067). (2002).