

# Therapy Connections



## Feeding Therapy

Feeding therapy involves identifying safe swallowing as well as other factors involved in “picky eating”. Reasons for feeding difficulty include: sensory sensitivities, oral motor difficulties, feeding skills, and/or behavior issues. We utilize several techniques to encourage trying new foods and integrating your child into a varied and functional diet.

## ***Helping your child eat safely and well!***

Therapy Connections will provide a wide range of therapeutic services using state of the art techniques that allow children with disabilities to achieve their highest potential

Services are provided to children of all ages and various diagnoses that include Cerebral Palsy, Sensory Processing Disorder, Autism, Dyspraxia, Down syndrome and Language and Development Delays

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### Implications

- ✚ Gagging, coughing, choking when eating and/or drinking
- ✚ Limited food groups or textures child will accept
- ✚ Strong negative reaction to new foods
- ✚ Food stuffing in the mouth
- ✚ Dislike of food on face & hands
- ✚ Not using utensils
- ✚ Not able to keep food in the mouth without using hands
- ✚ Unpleasant meal times for the whole family

### How Therapy Connections Helps

- ✚ Experienced and highly-trained therapists working with medically complex infants and children
- ✚ Using various programs: Food Chaining, oral motor strengthening/coordination, evidence-based therapeutic plans
- ✚ Sensory approach experiencing food in a safe, fun environment
- ✚ Individualized food plans including food journals & home planning
- ✚ Inter-disciplinary (SLP/OT within Therapy Connections) and other medical specialists working with patient to provide comprehensive care
- ✚ Feeding peer groups available based on needs of patients