

## GUIDANCE CENTER of LEA COUNTY



**Funding:** 

## For All to Thrive

Mission



- Individuals from all stages of life.
- Autism Clinic (12 mos age 5 or school age.
- Bridges to Wellness (serves individuals who are physically fragile)
- Individuals with substance abuse issues, mental health issues, out-patient therapy clinical services, case management.
- GCLC sees over 6000 unique individuals a year
- About 72,000 different units of activity a year,

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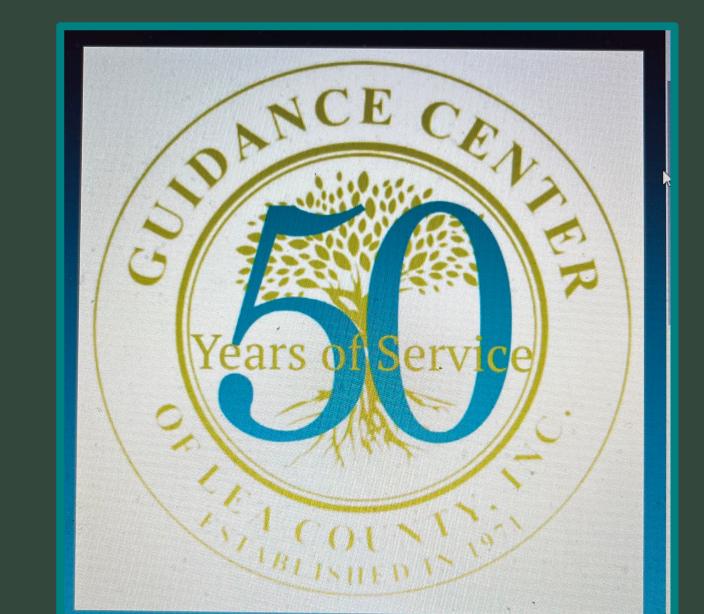
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# Entitlement programs (Medicaid and Medicare)

- Grants funded by CMS or some sort of state or federal program
- Partnerships (share cost)
- Donations



PaymentMethods:

- Medicaid
- Medicare. Any type of
- Private insurance
- Out of pocket (Uninsured or underinsured)
- Sliding fee scale
- Safety net organization





- One organization
- With 14 different programs
- Each program has 1 2 different services.
- Organized in 3 different divisions : community, clinical, and crisis
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## **Programs:**

- Autism Clinic
- Wrap Around Program
- Juvenile Community Corrections
- Home Visitation Program
- Substance Abuse Counseling
- Family Reunification Court
- Comprehensive Care Management
- Health Promotion/Educator
- Intensive Outpatient Counseling for Adolescents and Adults
- Housing Program- (Local Lead Agency for Housing)



### Services:

- Housing Services
- Outpatient Services
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation Services
- Comprehensive Community Support
- Psychiatric Services and Medication Clinic
- Peer Support Services
- Family Peer Support services
- Bridges to Wellness Services
- CareLink NM Services
- Emergency Shelter Program
- Community Based Prevention Services
- **Group Home Services**
- Semi-independent Living for Males
- Pregnant and Parenting Teen Family Unit Program



# Provides evidence-based Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services to children from 12 months up to school age that have been diagnosed with an Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

- Provide screenings to determine eligibility for autism
- **Provides evaluations**
- Provide referrals, for evaluations for children who demonstrate red flags or suspected of ASD.
- Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBA) and Registered Behavioral Technicians (RBT)
- Strive to improve quality of life, functional skills, and prosocial behaviors.
- The Autism Clinic team works closely to develop a customized treatment plan for each child based on their unique needs and strengths.



## **Early Intervention**

- Research shows that early diagnosis of and interventions for ASD are more likely to have major long-term positive effects on symptoms and skills.
- Early interventions helps children get the best possible start, but also the ability to reach their full potential.
- The sooner a child gets help, the greater the chance for learning and progress.
- "ABA is widely recognized as the single most effective treatment for ASD, and the only treatment shown to lead substantial, lasting, improvements in the lives of children





## ABA Therapy:

2-Year Accreditation

- A scientific, evidence-based discipline that strives to understand and improve socially significant behaviors.
- The application of the science of learning and behavior to improve skills, treat problem behavior, and help children with autism basic and complex skills.
- It works by reinforcing appropriate behaviors while increasing or eliminating interfering behaviors.
- Opportunities for success are built into the program and adjustments are made as children progress, helping them to navigate the world around them better.



## Disciplines:

- Certified psychologists
- Psychiatrists
- Licensed professional counselors
- Family therapy counselors
- Substance abuse counselors
- Peer counselors
- Care coordinators
- Medical assistants

**Nurse practitioners** 

Autism specialists.

