Directions to IBR

Verazzano-Narrows Bridge
Verazzano-Narrows Bridge to Staten Island Expressway (278) West to Bradley Avenue Exit 11. Proceed straight along service road (North Gannon Avenue) to 2nd traffic light. Left turn onto Woolley Avenue** and proceed straight for 10 blocks (Woolley Avenue becomes Forest Hill Road). IBR is located on the right side of the street; enter parking lot on far left of building.

Goethals Bridge
Goethals Bridge to Staten Island Expressway (278) East to Victory Boulevard exit. Left turn onto Victory Boulevard. Go past entrance to College of Staten Island. Turn right onto service road (S. Gannon) and go straight from first traffic light. Right turn onto Woolley Avenue – follow ** from above.

Garden State Parkway—Northern New Jersey/Points North
Garden State Parkway to Saddlebrook exit, Route 80 East to New Jersey Turnpike South. Exit 13 (Elizabeth/Goethals Bridge/278) – Follow Goethals Bridge directions above.

Outerbridge Crossing – Southern/Central New Jersey
Take Garden State Parkway to exit 127, follow signs for Outerbridge Crossing/Staten Island. Outerbridge Crossing to Richmond Parkway/Korean War Veterans Parkway to Richmond Avenue North (left lane). Make a right turn onto Forest Hill Road (1st light). IBR is approximately 2 miles down on your left. Enter parking lot on far left of building.

From the Staten Island Ferry:
Inside the ferry terminal, go to Ramp A, walk to end, take Bus No. 61. Bus will stop right in front of IBR.
George A. Jervis Clinic
Specialized Diagnostic & Consultative Services

The mission of the Jervis Clinic is to provide high-quality, high-level and comprehensive diagnostic services to children and adults with developmental disabilities and to conduct research and provide education in improving diagnosis and treatment of these disabilities.

Services We Offer

Children, adolescents and adults with or thought to have the following conditions are eligible for comprehensive evaluations at the Jervis Clinic:

- Intellectual disability & associated genetic syndromes including Fragile X and Down syndrome.
- Autism Spectrum Disorders, including all presentations of the diagnosis.
- Progressive neurological disorders
- Seizure disorder
- Cerebral Palsy

We offer the following:

- Neurological examination and evaluation
- Genetic evaluation, testing and counseling
- Autism evaluation
- Consultation for management of uncontrollable seizures
- Psychiatric and behavioral evaluations, which may include recommendations for psychotropic medications for people displaying self-injurious, aggressive and other challenging behaviors, or signs of dementia
- Neuropsychological evaluation
- Other specialized tests, available when indicated, including:
  - EEG, EEG video-monitoring
  - BAER and EMG
  - Muscle and skin biopsy
  - Biochemical, molecular and cytogenetic tests

History and Evolving Mission

Diagnosis and Treatment Plan

The George A. Jervis Clinic was established in 1980 by the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) as a highly specialized diagnostic and research clinic. The Clinic’s multidisciplinary team of physicians, psychologists, nurses and social workers conducts intensive and sophisticated diagnostic procedures and develops a treatment plan for conditions in people with developmental disabilities that primary care physicians have not been able to diagnose or treat, such as seizure or behavioral disorders. The Jervis Clinic provides care at the referral of primary or secondary health care personnel.

Research

In addition, the Clinic conducts clinical research in the field of developmental disabilities. The focus of projects ranges from the cause and the prevention of disabilities to methods that stabilize and improve the overall quality of daily life of people with developmental disabilities.

Education

The Clinic is also committed to disseminating current knowledge of developmental disabilities to family and staff members who refer and accompany people to the Clinic, and to the public at large. Clinic staff also provide training for other health care professionals to participate in clinical investigations concerning the causes, treatment and prevention of developmental disabilities.

New Challenges

The Jervis Clinic has been responsive to the new challenges presented by the shift in residence of many children and adults with developmental disabilities to living at home or in small community-based settings, rather than in large institutions.

Referral Process

A request for services from IBR’s George A. Jervis Clinic must be made in the following manner:

1. A referring health or educational professional working with the family, agency or parent requests a referral form by calling the clinic and supplying the requested supporting documentation. The Clinic sends out the referral form.
2. The referring professional and/or parent completes the referral form and returns it to the Clinic, with the requested supporting documentation.
3. The Clinic contacts families/agencies to discuss the status of the application and the next steps to take.

Additional forms or more information may be obtained from the Social Services Department at the Clinic by

Calling: 718-494-5313 or 494-5127
Faxing: 718-494-2258

Writing: Karen B. Ambler, LMSW
  Director of Clinical Services
  George A. Jervis Clinic
  IBR
  1050 Forest Hill Road
  Staten Island, NY 10314-6399

Eligibility

Any person with a developmental disability or who is suspected of having one and who has been seen by a specialist who believes that the person would benefit from Clinic Services.

Developmental disabilities include: intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, seizure disorders, autism, other related neurological disorders, and many genetic syndromes.

Payment for Services

The George A. Jervis Clinic is dedicated to serving the people of New York State with developmental disabilities, regardless of their ability to pay.

Except for people from OPWDD-certified providers, reimbursement for any diagnostic, clinical or laboratorial service will be sought from the following:

- Most third-party insurance carriers
- Family/guardian on a zero-basis sliding scale, or
- The person through independent billing.