

Testimonials

“The therapist of my child has been wonderful. Very proactive and always try to get best for her students. My son was not using any form of communication ..signs and pecs did not work for him. He is into technology so AAC looks more right to him..We really appreciate forsyth's therapist as they are giving their 100 % to make child speech,understand and reduce their tantrum as they start learning how to express what they want. I am very much satisfied working with speech therapist“

“My therapist has nicely organized my son's core needs and his interest in AAC so that he can easily navigate.”

“Definitely it's very helpful”

“Chloe Calenzo is always ready to help and showed us how to use the device better so that my son can be assisted better”

“I was greatly impressed with the attention, insight and understanding I received throughout the entire process of finding the right AAC device for my child. Every question I had was answered with complete clarity. Each of my specific preferences were immediately met. I feel as though the phenomenal care we were given allowed us to get the very best AAC device for my child”

Please share anything that you would like future families to know about children needing AAC.

“Any form of communication is important for a child”

“Promotes speech”

“I was given many strategies to help use my child's AAC device in the most effective way. The most helpful was the one which will help my child use the device to communicate their personal feelings. It is challenging to express personal feelings with a communication barrier and the therapist was able to instruct me in ways I can help my child achieve this. Which is very important and will help give my child a greater feeling of fulfillment in life”

“Having received my child's AAC device and the instruction and encouragement I was given by the therapist. I have a greater confidence that my child feels like they are able to communicate their needs and feelings. We have used it everyday since we got it and it has changed our lives

for the better and I know it will continue to open up doors of connection and education for my child as we continue to utilize this amazingly helpful tool. “

Unique perspective from our therapist, Kari Sykes, at the clinic:

“I started Brady very early on AAC. I bombarded our home with photo cards, so that he could communicate his preferences for snacks and activities. I used a visual schedule with him to help ease his anxiety with transitions. I knew Brady was a visual learner, and that he had difficulty with verbal commands and motor planning. He used a communication notebook and then began using a Dynavox at 3 years old. At first, he seemed to stim on the Dynavox, hitting the same symbols over and over, but there always seemed to be a pattern and I knew there was intention behind his selections. After about a year, he became proficient in navigating his Dynavox. He then transitioned to a mini Ipad that was just for his Dynavox Compass App. Imitation of sounds and some actual verbal words began emerging as he was using his AAC. AAC is not a magic solution, but a mere tool to help a child communicate when they can't yet form the words verbally. It can take time for a child to begin using their AAC, but we must encourage and model in a motivating manner. AAC gave Brady a way to communicate and feel successful! He is now almost 10 years old and using his verbal words to communicate.”