What to expect during your visit

The Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics clinic offers diagnosis and consults about
- ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder)
- ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder)
- Autism spectrum disorder
- Behavior concerns
- Developmental delays
- Down syndrome and other genetic syndromes associated with developmental delay
- Fussy babies
- Intellectual disability or learning disabilities

How long will the initial visit take?
60, 90 or 120 minutes

Who will I meet during this visit?
Visits are either scheduled with the developmental pediatrician alone, or with a multidisciplinary team. Multidisciplinary visits may include the following professionals:
- Developmental Pediatrician
- Speech Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Physical Therapist
- Social Worker
- Nurse Practitioner
- Psychologist
- Nurse

Our team works closely with all other Lurie Children’s specialists as needed, including close affiliations with the Divisions of Neonatology Neurology, Genetics, Primary Care, Psychiatry, Cardiology, Audiology, Ophthalmology, ENT, Epilepsy, Nutrition, Laboratory and Rehab services.

The entire healthcare team will talk to you, your child’s pediatrician/primary care provider and with each other. Creating a team around your child’s care allows us to coordinate many aspects of your child’s care including:

- Care coordination & new specialty referrals
- Management of prescriptions (therapy or medication)
- Scheduling routine follow up appointments
What should I bring?
Your child’s favorite book, toy, a snack, a drink or other things that your child might want to have while you wait between visits.

If you have other dependent children, for initial visits and testing visits we ask for another trusted adult/parent/family member also attend the visit to care for the other children that are not being seen for a visit within this division. This helps to decrease distractions for you and your child and helps the visit run more smoothly.

Before your visit, office staff will request all families bring previous evaluations, medical evaluations and results of testing as well as school documents. Examples of these are listed below, please review and if your child has had one of the following things completed, please bring the report for our team to review.

- School forms & evaluations (include IEP, response to behavior plans and formalized testing)

- Past medical history documents for care NOT performed at Lurie Children’s Hospital
  - Past evaluations by specialists
    - Developmental pediatricians
    - Neurologists
    - Psychologist/Psychiatrists
    - Genetics
  - Past imaging
    - MRI
    - EEG
    - CT
    - Sleep study
  - Past laboratory testing

- Speech, occupational or physical therapy reports

- Psychiatric/behavioral health reports

- Cognitive/achievement testing reports

We look forward to meeting your family.
Thank you for scheduling a visit with the Division of Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics