



Helping Children with Developmental & Behavioral Disorders



Mission

The Uncommon Thread is committed to early intervention. Our center offers behavior analytic services that meet each child's needs, educational materials, and parent training to help children dealing with learning, developmental and behavioral disorders including Autism. Helping families organize and manage effective plans is our mission.

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OUR VISION

Families face an ever present disconnect in the fight to save their child from communication and behavioral disorders which impede the learning process. Often frustrated and feeling helpless, parents can become immobilized in their effort to navigate the waters of early intervention.

The Uncommon Thread, an Early Intervention Resource Center, has created an environment where early intervention becomes a comprehensive, cohesive strategy between parents, specialists, therapists, and educators in order to team up and fight the debilitating affects that occur with children who have learning differences.

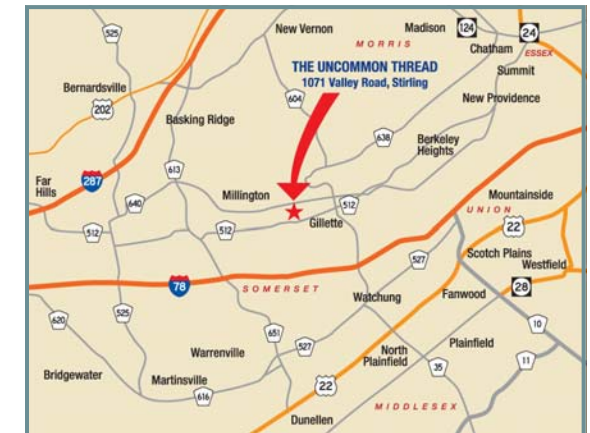
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MAP & DIRECTIONS...

From Morristown, NJ. Take RT-24 E toward Springfield/I-78 E, Take the exit onto I-78 W toward Clinton, Take exit 40 for CR-531 toward Watchung/Gillette/The Plainfields, Keep right at the fork, follow signs for CR-531 N and merge onto CR-531/Hillcrest Rd, Turn left at Hillcrest Rd, Continue on Mountain Ave, Turn left at CR-512/Valley Rd.

From Newark, NJ. Take 78W, Take exit 40 for CR-531 toward Watchung/Gillette/The Plainfields, Keep right at the fork, follow signs for CR-531 N and merge onto CR-531/Hillcrest Rd, Turn left at Hillcrest Rd, Continue on Mountain Ave, Turn left at CR-512/Valley Rd

From Somerville, NJ. Take 287 North, take 78 East, Take exit 36 toward Basking Ridge, Turn left at King George Rd, Turn right at CR-512/Valley Rd.



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OUR SERVICES.....

EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES & CONSULTING

- **Functional Behavioral Assessment & Management-** A Board Certified Behavior Analyst will conduct an observation and functional behavior assessment in any setting as well as help develop a Behavior Intervention Plan based on the findings.
- **Readiness Skills-** such as eye contact, sitting appropriately, attending to material and instructor etc. will be addressed during these sessions.
- **Skill Assessments-** Curriculum assessment of child's skills to help develop appropriate goals.
- **Individual & Group ABA Therapy-** Individual sessions are designed to address specific needs of each child. Small group sessions as appropriate will be conducted to target specific goals.



OUR SERVICES.....

...EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES & CONSULTING (*continued*)

- **Mainstreaming Shadow Services-** Helping children transition from intensive 1:1 learning environments to mainstream educational environments successfully. Children are supported through visual and verbal prompts as well as modeling appropriate behaviors and skills. The use of a shadow maximizes the child's participation in a mainstream setting.
- **Home & Community Training-** Hands on training in the community or at home to help decrease inappropriate behaviors and generalize skills across settings.
- **Parent Training-** Hands on training done at The Uncommon Thread with any family member including babysitter or nanny to maintain consistency across settings.

SCHOOL & HOME EVALUATIONS

BCBA will go into the home and/or school program and evaluate the setting to determine the level of appropriateness for your child. Will also make programmatic recommendations based on the child's needs and skills in order to ensure learning is occurring.

HOME ABA THERAPY

This is an extension of programming that is occurring at The Uncommon Thread center. Based on the child's skills, programs will be developed by a BCBA and implemented by an instructor. Supervision will occur by the BCBA. The focus of this service can be more home and community based.

SCHOOL & CAMP SHADOW THERAPY
Our shadows have specialized training for school & camp shadowing techniques and social facilitation.

**All children will be assessed by our professional staff to determine appropriateness of our service*

BCBA CANDIDATE SUPERVISION

Supervision of candidates who are sitting for the BCBA/BCABA exam

PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAMS

In fulfilling our mission to help families organize and manage effective therapeutic plans, we provide logistical, educational, and emotional support for our parents and families. Regular individual family meetings are set up with our team of professionals to review and revise, if necessary, your child's program. Our aim is to continually stimulate and challenge his or



her intellectual, physical and emotional capabilities. In addition, we sponsor educational programs throughout the year to help caretakers continue the good work the children do at our center in the home environment. Finally, we serve as a resource center to provide all categories of information that might be of interest to our parents and families.

REFERRAL SERVICES

Developmental Pediatricians

Neurologists

Speech Language Pathologists

Occupational Therapists

Physical Therapists

Reading and Language Specialists

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