

ABOUT

THE AVA CENTER

The Appalachian Valley Autism (AVA) Center provides life-changing therapy for children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder (ASD). Pikeville Medical Center's goal is to identify children at the earliest signs of detection, and provide therapy that has the potential to change the trajectory of their young lives.

PMC's multi-disciplinary teams are equipped to offer families unrivaled expertise in understanding and meeting the needs of toddlers and children with autism and related challenges.

We strive to:

- provide the best integrated care for children.
- support the best possible quality of life for children with ASD and their families.
- help children with ASD reach their full potential.
- coordinate and provide autism-friendly clinical care and training.
- provide assessments and recommendations for appropriate treatments.

Many children with autism or related disorders can benefit from behavior therapies that aim to reduce undesired behaviors, improve a child's functioning and address co-occurring mental health disorders like depression and/or anxiety. AVA Center clinicians utilize several therapies matched to the child's age, specific symptoms and degree of severity.

The AVA Center offers:

- Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy
- Speech therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Feeding therapy

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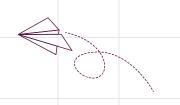
ABOUTLOVE A LEARNER

"Love a Learner" is a community-driven program designed to support children with autism (referred to as "learners") from the AVA Center. Though originally inspired by the Angel Tree concept, encouraging people to sponsor a child for Christmas, this initiative has expanded into a much larger campaign that continues year round.

Funds raised from Love a Learner provide learners at the AVA Center with the necessary tools to succeed. From essentials like winter coats and school supplies to interactive tablets and sensory equipment, Love a Learner aims to support these remarkable children in any way they need.

Through the Love A Learner program, the PMC Foundation and the AVA Center aim to create a powerful community connection, raise awareness about autism and bring joy to the lives of its learners. This initiative engages individuals and organizations across the region, supporting the AVA Center's learners while promoting a culture of empathy, inclusion and community support.

Individuals or organizations may donate to Love a Learner through several channels. Most common ways include paying with credit or debit card via the PMC Foundation website or mailing a check to P.O. Box 2515 Pikeville, KY 41502.











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