Waisman Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison

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The Waisman Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is dedicated to the advancement of knowledge about human development, developmental disabilities, and neurodegenerative diseases. One of only 14 centers of its kind in the United States, the Waisman Center

encompasses laboratories for biomedical and behavioral research, a brain imaging center, and a clinical biomanufacturing facility for the production of pharmaceuticals for early-stage human clinical trials.

In addition to its research efforts, the Waisman Center provides highly specialized clinical care and support to children and families affected by a broad range of developmental disabilities that include autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and genetic disorders through 11 specialty clinics and 3 autism treatment service programs.

The center also has an integrated preschool, statewide capacity-building initiatives to improve the quality of life of individuals with disabilities and their families and trains scientists and clinicians who will serve our nation in the future.