

"From the first day we had an evaluation at Columbia, I left with hope that I found a place that understood exactly what difficulties our family had been through. My daughter finally received the correct diagnosis for her condition. She was treated by experienced and knowledgeable mental health professionals who worked cohesively as a team in studying her symptoms and tailoring the treatment accordingly. Over the past year, my daughter has not only seen a drastic reduction in her symptoms, but also regained her functional abilities as a student."

> - Parent of a 14-year-old research participant

Interested in Learning More About PAMRC?

For questions about **treatment** through one of our research programs, please contact: Dylan Braun, BS Research Coordinator

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To schedule a CAPES evaluation, please contact: Eileen Higgins, RN, CNS Research Nurse (646) 774-7848

> To learn more about the Children's Day Unit, please contact: Mara Eilenberg, LCSW Clinical Director, CDU (646) 774-5766



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Treatment at PAMRC

The Columbia University Pediatric Anxiety and Mood Research Clinic (PAMRC) treats anxiety and mood disorders in youth ages 8-20 through a personalized treatment approach involving evidence-based therapy, medicine, or their combination.

Directed by Dr. Moira Rynn, PAMRC conducts research and offers free treatment for children and adolescents struggling with the following problems:

- Obsessive-compulsive disorder
- Generalized anxiety disorder
- Social phobia
- Separation anxiety disorder
- Posttraumatic-stress disorder
- Depression
- Bipolar disorder
- School refusal

PAMRC is a state-of-theart facility that houses caring, experienced doctors who have successfully treated children and adolescents with anxiety.













What is a CAPES Evaluation?

CAPES (Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Evaluation Service) is a comprehensive diagnostic evaluation service for families, conducted by professional, highly experienced clinicians. This clinical service is offered free of charge to families and includes a structured clinical interview with the parent and the child.

Who is Eligible?

Youth ages 5–21 who are struggling with mental health issues, particularly anxiety and/or mood disorders, who have never received an evaluation or would like a second opinion regarding diagnosis and/or treatment.

What Happens After the Evaluation?

At the end of a CAPES evaluation, you and your child will receive:

- Feedback on results of the evaluation including diagnoses
- Specific treatment recommendations
- Referrals to mental health providers if necessary
- Consultations by our staff with the referring provider as needed

At PAMRC, we help children and teens make appropriate progress in school, stay connected to their peers, and prepare for their transition into adulthood.





The Children's Day Unit (CDU)

The Children's Day Unit (CDU) is a day hospital program comprised of research participants ages 13 to 18 who require intensive outpatient care.

School services are provided by PS186X, a New York City public school located on the unit during the academic year. Students attend class daily and are often eligible to earn school credits while attending the CDU. In addition, during the 6-week summer program in July and August, the CDU provides educational support and tutoring.



Children and adolescents at the CDU can expect:

- Daily academic classes
- Personalized tutoring
- Individual and group therapy sessions
- Social skills training & art therapy
- Neuropsychological testing when indicated
- Medication treatment when indicated
- Discharge planning and assistance with school placement

All assessment and treatment services offered at the CDU are free of charge.

Our staff works closely with your child's school to ensure your child's educational needs are met.