

# MayInstitute

*Shaping Futures. Changing Lives.*



Excellence in Service, Training, and Research

Serving Individuals with Autism and Other  
Developmental Disabilities, Brain Injury, and  
Behavioral Healthcare Needs

*At May Institute, we make progress possible for children, adolescents, and adults with autism, brain injury, mental retardation, and behavioral healthcare needs.*

*Founded in 1955 in the seaside village of Chatham, Massachusetts, our organization has its roots in a family's vision of enabling children with disabilities to lead the fullest lives possible. Today, we are among the largest, most respected and innovative nonprofit behavioral healthcare organizations in the country.*

*Our values and vision drive us to understand each person's unique needs and find the most effective means to help each individual reach his or her potential. Great strides result only from the tireless work of a caring, highly skilled staff and our constant dedication to the highest standards.*



Walter P. Christian, Ph.D., ABPP  
President and Chief Executive Officer

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## Blending Science with Service

For more than 50 years, the caring professionals of May Institute have set a national standard for providing comprehensive, research-based services to children and adults with autism and other developmental disabilities, mental retardation, brain injury, and behavioral healthcare needs. An award-winning national network of educational, behavioral, and rehabilitative programs, May blends science with service to help make progress possible for 25,000 individuals and their families each year.



### A broad range of clinical services

Based in Randolph, Massachusetts, the Institute offers a broad range of clinical services in nearly 200 locations across the country, including home-based early intervention for infants and toddlers; programs for children and adolescents with autism and brain injury; counseling for adolescents and young adults; consultation in school settings; and geriatric day health services for senior adults with mental illness.

Because each child, adult, or family we serve has unique needs, May programs provide a variety of highly specialized services. We begin with a thorough and accurate assessment of each person's strengths, needs, and preferences.



Our different service models vary in intensity and length of care, responding to both short- and long-term needs. In each program, staff work closely with families and referral sources to build supports for successful transitions.

Our programs are designed to serve individuals in the most appropriate, natural settings, which are often our clients' homes, schools, and communities. We also have our own schools, providing day and residential services to children and adolescents.

**Our May Center in Chatham has been honored as one of the nation's "Schools of Excellence" by the U.S. Department of Education. Its scenic campus was once the home of Dr. Jacques and Marie Anne May, who founded the Institute in 1955 to help their twin sons with autism.**

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## Comprehensive consultation services

May Institute offers unique, comprehensive consultation services to public schools, educational collaboratives, hospitals, state service systems, private agencies, and other organizations. Our consultants work with school personnel and family members to coordinate and enhance educational programming for students with learning, cognitive, and behavioral challenges across a full spectrum of service options.

As a partner to the National Technical Assistance Center on Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports, we work with school systems to integrate proven behavior management techniques with pro-social skills development and academic instruction. Positive Behavior Support (PBS) results in fewer discipline problems, increased on-task engagement, more positive school climates, improved academic outcomes, and higher parent and community satisfaction.

May Institute has implemented PBS in schools across the country.

## A national organization

Drawing on our many established service models, May Institute continues to develop new programs to meet the needs of individuals and families across the United States. We often work in partnership with other organizations, pooling strengths and resources to develop the most effective services.

## A Center of Research and Training

May Institute is an active center of research and training, maintaining affiliations with more than 40 universities, hospitals, and human service agencies worldwide. Our professionals have authored more than 300 publications and made over 1,500 presentations. We are dedicated to improving clinical understanding and creating new learning opportunities.

### A Partial List of Services

- Special Education
- Early Intervention
- Parent Education and Support
- Family Information and Advocacy
- School Consultation
- Home-Based Behavioral Services
- District-wide Positive Behavior Support (PBS)
- Positive Schools<sup>SM</sup>
- Outpatient Counseling
- Neurorehabilitation
- Community Living
- Job Training, Placement, and Support
- Psychosocial Clubhouses
- Crisis and Respite Care
- Psychiatric Services
- Research and Professional Development





May Institute's Graduate Scholars Program offers tuition, housing, and clinical experience to college graduates who aspire to earn a master's degree and pursue a career in applied behavior analysis, special education, or behavioral healthcare. Students joining the May family of Graduate Scholars will be supervised by recognized leaders in the field and will be encouraged to pursue their research interests.

May Institute values both accountability and results. We use proven methods of treatment and teaching, based on the latest clinical research. Staff carefully track individual progress and adjust services to achieve desired goals.

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## Guided by Leading Experts

Committed. Capable. Caring. These are among the shared qualities that set our staff apart. Our services reflect the talent and expertise of our many doctoral-level staff and hundreds of highly trained teachers, therapists, and other specialists. Together, we bring our values and vision to life. We uniquely balance the human and clinical dimensions of care, instilling warmth and energy into all our services.

May Institute benefits from one of the greatest pools of expertise of any organization of our kind. Our staff and advisory board include world-renowned experts in fields ranging from autism to brain injury to behavioral healthcare.

### Leadership of Ph.D. and M.D. level clinicians

The Institute's leadership team and program directors include licensed and, in many cases, board certified psychologists or psychiatrists. They provide ongoing supervision and offer an invaluable resource for new program development.

### Committed to training and development

The consistent quality of our programs is a result of our extensive system of competency-based training for direct care service staff. Our Center for Professional Development allows staff to balance work and learning through a wide range of graduate degree and certificate programs and continuing education. May is accredited by the American Psychological Association to provide continuing education for psychologists and pre-doctoral internship training.

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## Dedicated to Excellence

Helping individuals and families change their lives for the better demands an uncompromising commitment to the highest standards. As our national network of programs grows, our success comes from a dedication to excellence in all we do. Walk into any of our programs and you'll discover the same distinctive qualities: a caring and competent staff, the use of the most effective, research-based methods, an emphasis on individual choice, and a clear focus on results.



May Institute's Behavioral Health Services Division, for example, continues to create new resources for state-of-the-art treatment, from counseling centers to geriatric day programs to psychosocial clubhouses. In every program, staff follow specific, research-tested guidelines as they design and provide services. Our many unique programs regularly attract visiting researchers, educators, and professionals from around the world.

## Creating Lasting Impact

All our programs seek to make lasting contributions to the lives of individuals. Learning a new skill is just the first step. We measure effectiveness by how well people maintain skills and apply them in everyday situations and settings.



We strive to help individuals maintain the progress they achieve. We work with families, teachers, employers, and other important people in an individual's life to build supports for lifelong success.

**May Institute is the first non-profit human services organization in the country to receive top national honors from the Society for the Advancement of Behavior Analysis (SABA) and the Association for Behavioral and Cognitive Therapies (ABCT).**

🏆 2007 Award for Enduring Programmatic Contributions in Behavior Analysis

🏆 2005 Outstanding Training Program Award

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