

# Comprehensive Therapy Center

A Place to Grow... Helping children to walk, talk, learn and play.

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## Comprehensive Therapy Center Receives \$15,000 Grant from CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust

**Award supports children with disabilities who attend summer Therapy and Fun.**

**Donation to Comprehensive Therapy Center is part of the more than \$5 million in grants the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust is making to non-profit organizations across the nation**

Grand Rapids, MI - Comprehensive Therapy Center announced today that it has received a \$15,000 grant from the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust, the private foundation managed by CVS Corporation, in support of children with disabilities who attend the **Therapy and Fun** summer program.

Comprehensive Therapy Center is celebrating 25 Years of **Therapy and Fun**. The program offers children speech-language, motor and sensory therapies increasing communication, motor skills, academics, and socialization. Therapy helps children get ready to read, builds strength to draw and write, and increases success in school. Unique in West Michigan, our summer day-program offers children up to nine hours of intensive therapy per week, offers teen volunteers a real-life career experience, and gives families support and respite.

“Comprehensive Therapy Center is thrilled. This grant will allow us to reach out to more children who are financially disadvantaged this summer,” says Jean Silbar, Executive Director. “We are so thankful for community support for children with disabilities who need therapy. Now our professional staff and our volunteers can work with more children helping them to walk, talk, learn and play.”

“CVS strongly believes in giving back to the communities where we live and work,” said Eileen Howard Dunn, Vice President of the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust. “Grants from the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust are an effective way for us to support the extraordinary work done by community organizations to help children with disabilities and their families and to promote health, wellness and education. We are proud to support the work that Comprehensive Therapy Center does in the community. Through their unique combination of therapy, mentoring, and volunteerism they promote a culture dedicated to positively supporting children with disabilities.

The CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust's grant to Comprehensive Therapy Center is part of its more than \$5 million in grants to non-profit organizations across 22 states. Organizations that were selected to receive a grant were chosen through the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust's 2006 grant application process. Grants were awarded to organizations involved in children's health and education issues, with a particular focus on initiatives to improve the lives of children with disabilities and programs that promote awareness and inclusion of children with disabilities.

The **Therapy and Fun** program surrounds the therapy sessions with music, games, reading and crafts giving the young clients plenty of time to practice new skills with highly trained teen volunteers. The clients just think they are playing with the big kids. Parents report that their children love this fun social interaction and work even harder to achieve their goals. That's why we call the program, **Therapy and Fun**.

Comprehensive Therapy Center serves the West Michigan special needs community with school based special education services and a summer outreach program, **Therapy and Fun**, which offers speech-language, sensory and motor therapies. We help children with disabilities walk, talk, learn and play. Visit us on the Web at [www.therapycenter.org](http://www.therapycenter.org).

#### **About the CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust**

The CVS/pharmacy Charitable Trust, Inc. is a private foundation managed by CVS Corporation, which operates approximately 6,200 retail and specialty pharmacy stores in 43 states and the District of Columbia in addition to its online pharmacy, CVS.com; its retail-based health clinic subsidiary, MinuteClinic; and its pharmacy benefit management, mail order and specialty pharmacy subsidiary, PharmaCare. The Trust's mission is to provide funding for health care, education and community involvement initiatives targeting children with disabilities in communities where CVS/pharmacy stores are located. General information about CVS is available through the Investor Relations portion of the Company's Web site at <http://investor.cvs.com>, or through the press room portion of the Company's website, at [www.cvs.com/pressroom](http://www.cvs.com/pressroom).

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