



# CEIA

**INTERDISCIPLINARY PEDIATRIC REHABILITATION CENTER  
THAT PROVIDES ACTIVITY-BASED THERAPIES AND  
ASSESSMENTS  
FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH  
NEURODEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
IN ARGENTINA**

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# WHO ARE MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH LEADERS?

- Purpose and moral commitment
- Interdisciplinary collaboration and diversity
- Critical thinking
- Self-reflection
- Knowledge of MCH populations and their needs
- Professionalism in attitudes and working habits
- New knowledge on improvement of abilities and skills central to effective, evidence-based leadership
- Infrastructure to recruit, train and mentor future MCH leaders



**Is responsive to the changing political, social, scientific, and demographic context and demonstrates the capability to change quickly and adapt in the face of emerging challenges and opportunities**

# WHY CEIA IN BUENOS AIRES?

- **BA** is one of the 20 largest cities in the world, often referred to as the *Paris of South America*.
- Is the **capital and largest city of Argentina**, and the **second-largest metropolitan area in South America**, after Sao Paulo.



**Autonomous district** with a population of around **sixteen million (02/2011)** having increased **9.9%** in the last nine years according to the last **country's National Census**.



# DISABILITY POPULATION IN ARG (INDEC 2010)

7.1% from birth to 18 years old  
has any disability.

38.7% do not have any medical insurance.

- **53.6% female, 46.4 % male.**
- under 18 years of age: **36.7% congenital causes, 21% sickness, 11.6% unknown.**
- **39.5% motor disabilities: 61.6% MMII, 30 % MMSS and MMII and 8.4% MMSS.**
- **59.13% motor disability and other related.**
- **24.7% diagnosed at birth or before their 4 years old of age.**



# CARF

Founded in 1966 as the **Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities**, CARF International is an independent, nonprofit accreditor of health and human services in the following areas:

- Aging Services**
- Behavioral Health**
- Opioid Treatment Programs**
- Business and Services Management Networks**
- Child and Youth Services**
- Employment and Community Services**
- Vision Rehabilitation**
- Medical Rehabilitation**





# WHAT'S CEIA?

**CENTRO DE EVALUACION, ESTIMULACIÓN  
Y TRATAMIENTO INTEGRAL  
INTERDISCIPLINARIO PARA LA INFANCIA Y  
LA ADOLESCENCIA**

*(Specialized interdisciplinary rehabilitation center for children and young people with neurodevelopmental disabilities)*

**CEIA** wish to be the **best pediatric rehabilitation center in Latino American, achieving the international accreditation, following the CARF's standards of quality of service, providing responsive, high quality programs and services that meet the needs of the children, young people and families in the community, ensuring the highest level of rehabilitative care available to patients, regardless of their ability to pay.**



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# CEIA'S VISION

- Be the **best pediatric rehabilitation center**, as the one provider of medical services related to the **interdisciplinary pediatric rehabilitation in the Neurosciences in Latin America**, with openness to other specialties linked to the different medical instances, such as: **assessment, diagnosis, stimulation, rehabilitation and, follow-up**, promoting the incorporation of **new methods and modern alternate therapies**.
- Be highlighted working on **scientific research, dynamic interaction of health-education services, biomedical technology applied and permanent training** of its staffs, keeping **updated medical rehabilitation programs**, and **teaching** with a strong commitment to the **quality of the medical assistance services** through the consistent focus on **prevention, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and specialized education**.

Our programs are designed with one goal in mind - to enhance the lives of our patients during the rehabilitative process and beyond.



# CEIA AND CARF

Consistent with CARF standards, CEIA has developed **outcome goals** that are based on the **needs of the community and families** who will be served, such as:

- **Funding and Fundraising**
- **Well Designed and Expanded Programs and Services**
- **Staff Capacity**
- **Community Awareness/Access**
- **Advocacy and Government Policies**



# FROM SLP TO DIRECTOR OF A PEDIATRIC REHABILITATION CENTER PROGRAM



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# CEIA UP-TO DATE



OPERATIVE MANUAL



MEDICAL FUNCTIONAL PLAN



INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM & FINAL STAFF



ALLIANCE

"BE THE CHANGE  
YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD..."

Mahatma Gandhi





**MAKING LIFELONG CONNECTIONS  
2014,  
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!**

