

A.R. "TONY" AND MARIA J. SANCHEZ FAMILY FOUNDATION



**Texas Children's
Pediatrics**

Reliable Care Throughout Life's Changes

At Texas Children's A.R. "Tony" and Maria J. Sanchez Family Foundation Center, we see children each day who are living with mental disorders like attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

A young boy with a history of mental health issues is just one of the many children who has benefitted from your generosity. His family recently faced a big challenge when his mother started a new job, which provided a higher income but did not offer health coverage. Additionally, this salary increase made the family ineligible for government assistance.

The cost of her son's ADHD medication was too high for the mother to pay for it out of pocket, and because of this, the patient no longer had access to the medication he needed. After just a short time, the patient's mother began receiving phone calls from her son's school almost every day regarding his behavior, and his grades began to fall drastically. It was clear that this medication was essential to his well-being.

Desperate to get her son the help he needed, she came to Texas Children's. An appointment was immediately made for her to meet with social worker, Ana Thornton, at the A.R. "Tony" and Maria J. Sanchez Family Foundation Center.

The boy's mother could barely talk through the tears, and it was evident that she had lost hope in the health care system. The caregivers there were able to provide her son with the specialized care he needed and help her apply for programs that offer free medication.

Today, her son is now thriving in school, functioning well at home, and is able to continue seeing his longstanding pediatrician, Dr. Rebecca B. Laster, at the A.R. "Tony" and Maria J. Sanchez Family Foundation Center. We cannot thank you enough for giving us the resources it takes to offer the best quality of care to our patients when they need it most.