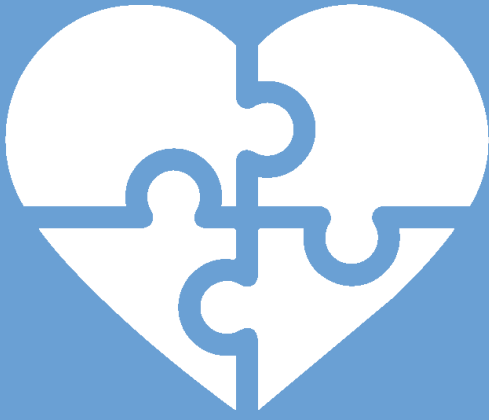


# ACES FOR AUTISM

Dental Office  
Learning Lab





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## *learning labs*

Activities that are deemed routine by most people, like haircuts and trips to the grocery store, can feel insurmountable to people with autism. It is with this in mind that the new Aces for Autism Clinic will feature simulated environments known as “Learning Labs” to help integrate these types of activities into the lives of children and young adults with autism.

The learning labs will be near-exact replicas of your neighborhood grocery store, dentist office, doctor’s office, barber shop and apartment/living space. Socialization and academic learning are critical parts of the education of children and young adults with autism, but nothing matches the actual simulation of events and experiences that they will face out in the world.

The learning labs will offer these children and young adults the most realistic opportunity to overcome their sensory challenges in real environments in the safety of a space that is supervised by qualified staff and caring friends. The ultimate goal is that these children overcome their challenges and are able to sit successfully for a nice haircut, endure some time in the dental chair, and even shop their own groceries and set up their own apartment space. The Learning Labs offer real life training at it’s best and they’ll be a critical part of the growth of all clients that visit the Aces for Autism Clinic.



**Dental Office**  
Learning Lab



**Doctor’s Office**  
Learning Lab



**Food Lion**  
Learning Lab



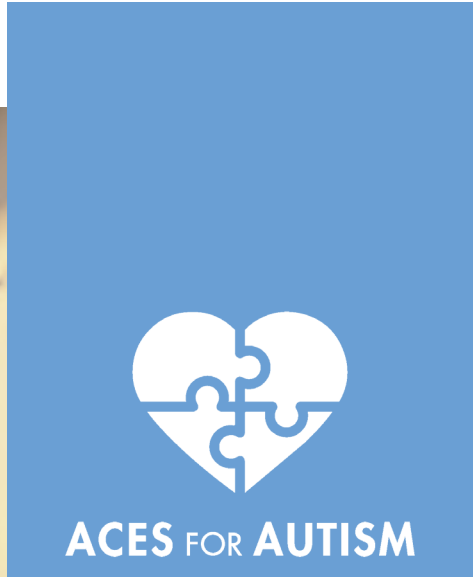
**Barber Shop**  
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**Residential**  
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# Lab Street

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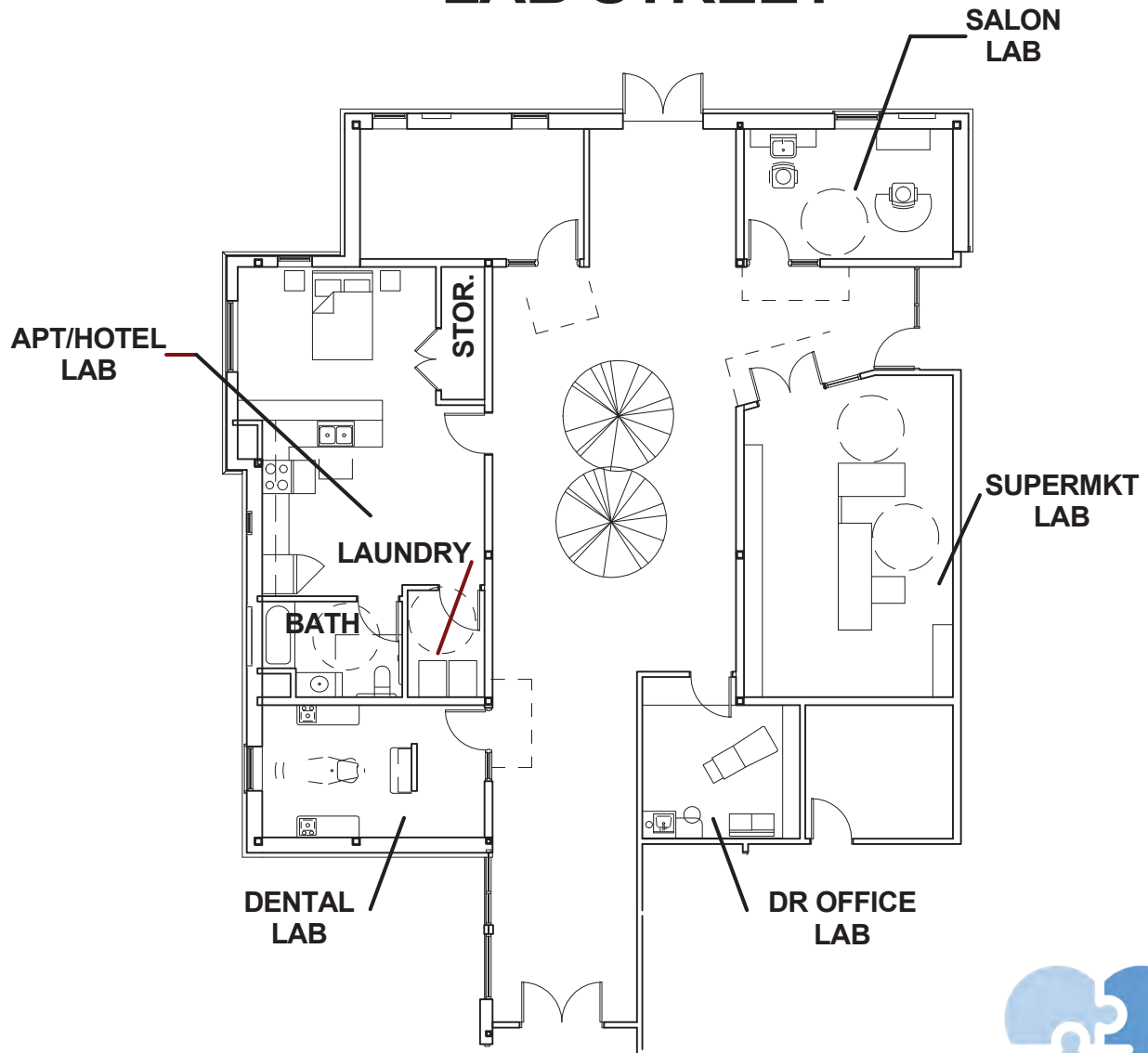
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## LAB STREET



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# Dental Office

Learning Lab



**THE DENTAL LAB WILL GIVE CHILDREN WITH AUTISM THE OPPORTUNITY TO EASE INTO THE DENTAL EXPERIENCE AT A PACE COMFORTABLE FOR THEM.**

## CHALLENGING

With the sensory challenges that many children with autism face, laying back in the dental chair and having someone touch their face can be overwhelming.



## OPPORTUNITY

The Dental Lab will give children the opportunity to ease into the dental experience at a pace comfortable for them.



## EXPERIMENT

They can experiment with the tools and equipment, lay back in the chair, and try to get comfortable with people touching their face and mouth.



## GOAL:

The goal is to familiarize children with the experience to the point that when they go to the actual dentist, they can tolerate the experience and be on a path of a lifetime of preventive care and good oral health.

