



BIKE SAFETY TIPS

Speak to your therapist (or call us at 973-535-5010) if your child is struggling with bike riding, needs a little help to get rolling along, or you just want a safe and therapeutic environment to teach your child the basics of bike riding.

We'll make sure they have the balance, bilateral coordination and endurance necessary for a successful biking experience. We'll offer tips to help them glide away, and help reduce your stress about their safe riding.

Helpful things to know for a successful biking experience:

• Glide Bikes are a great way to build kids' confidence and quickly eliminate training wheels. After gliding on a flat driveway, they'll be ready to go within a few strides!

Glide bikes come in 13" and 16" wheels. We find 16" bikes work better for children over age 5. You can purchase these pedal-less bikes from our <u>Amazon store</u> (search: products/gross motor).

- Always remember to have your child wear closed toe shoes or sneakers when riding, not flip flops or sandals.
- No matter what the bike shop says about positioning the seat on your child's bike, always start with your child's feet on the ground. Once they master pedaling, you can slowly raise the seat to a comfortable height.