



A Local History...

...A Defining Commitment

1948

Cerebral Palsy Association of Ithaca forms

The area's first CP clinic on Meadow Street in Ithaca



1966

Home Service Program begins

1963

Agency name changes to the Special Children's Center

1949-1953

Clinics open in Tompkins, Cortland & Schuyler Counties

1964

Frances Berko becomes executive director



Dr. Berko



Bold Leadership...

...Regional Firsts

1979

Roger Sibley is appointed executive director

1980

Agency opens its first integrated preschool

Dr. Racker



The Wilkins Road site, as it appeared in 1982



1985

Respite program begins with Rest-A-Bit

1971

Dr. Franziska Racker is named medical director



Roger Sibley

1982

The Agency moves to its offices to its current home on Wilkins Road



Deeper Roots...

...Greater Resolve

*One of the Centers' 17 (and counting)
Residence Program sites*



1988

Turning Point
program begins

1999

Agency is renamed in honor
of Dr. Franziska Racker

1986

Day Treatment
opens at TST-Boces

1989

First residential home
opens in Dryden

1994

Service Coordination
begins and Early
Intervention is
formalized



A New Century...

...New Opportunities

2000

An extension of Counseling for School Success, the Lighthouse program begins

2003

Traumatic Brain Injury Service Coordination begins

2008

The Centers celebrates sixty years!

The best is yet to come!



Participants in the Centers' Lighthouse Program

2001

Parent Network forms



And still young!