



Early Help

IT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Where Can Parents Get Help?

Parents can get help from Warren County Public Health's Early Intervention Program. We have trained staff who can help evaluate your child's development. If your child is eligible, we will work with your family to make a family-centered plan to support development.

What Services are Available?

Early intervention services are designed to provide your child support to grow and develop. Services include: evaluation services (such as hearing and vision), home visits, speech, physical and other therapies; child development groups, family counseling; and, sometimes, even help with transportation. Services are provided at no out-of-pocket cost to you.

What Children Need Early Help?

Any child from birth to age three with a developmental delay, disability or condition that affects development may need help.

Who Do I Call?

Please call Warren County Public Health at 518-761-6580 and ask to be directed to one of our Early Intervention Staff.

- Erik Mastrianni – Senior Service Coordinator/ Children with Special Needs Program Administrator
- Emily LaLone – Service Coordinator
- Cheryl Sharron – Service Coordinator
- Julie Madison – Service Coordinator
- Molly Wilkie – Service Coordinator
- Ginelle Jones – Early Intervention Official

Young children learn and develop differently. One baby may walk earlier than another, while another baby may talk first. Often, these differences will even out.

Inside, you will find a checklist for signs that your infant or toddler may need a little extra help. If you have concerns about your baby's development, the earlier you get help, the better. Our trained staff is here to support your child and answer any questions you may have.



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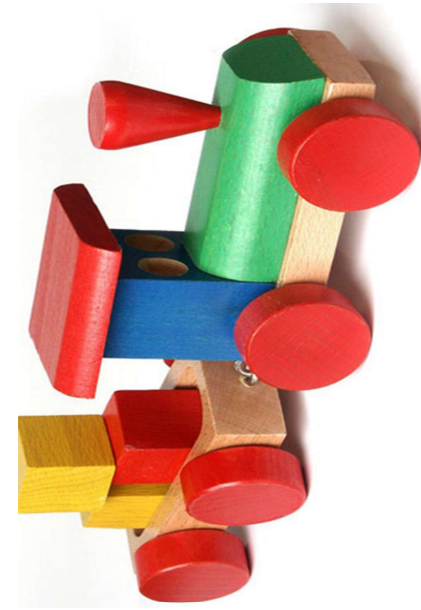
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We are here to help support your child's growth and development. Early help, it can make a difference!

Checklist for Growing Children

Here is a checklist of what you can expect your child to be doing from birth to age three. If you have concerns about your baby's development, we're here to help! Our Early Intervention Program can help promote your child's development



3 Months

At three months of age, most babies:

- Turn their head towards bright colors and lights
- No longer "cross their eyes" when trying to focus. They move both their eyes in the same direction at one time
- Recognize bottle or breast
- Respond to their mother's voice
- Make cooing sounds
- Bring their hands together
- Wiggle and kick their arms and legs
- Lift their head while lying on their stomach
- Become quiet in response to sound, especially to speech
- Smile



6 Months

At six months of age, most babies:

- Follow moving objects with their eyes
- Turn toward the source of normal sound
- Reach for objects and pick them up
- Switch toys from one hand to the other
- Play with their toes
- Help hold the bottle during feeding
- Recognize familiar faces
- Imitate speech sounds
- Respond to soft sounds, especially talking
- Roll over



12 Months

At twelve months of age, most babies:

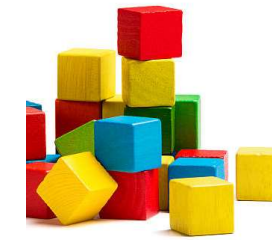
- Get to a sitting position
- Pull to a standing position
- Stand briefly without support
- Crawl
- Imitate adults using a cup or telephone
- Play pee-a-boo and patty-cake
- Wave goodbye
- Put objects in containers
- Say at least one word
- Make "ma-ma" or "da-da" sounds



18 Months

At eighteen months of age, most babies:

- Like to push and pull objects
- Say at least six words
- Follow simple directions
- Pull off their shoes, socks, mittens etc.
- Can point to a picture you name from a book
- Feed themselves
- Make marks on paper with crayons
- Walk without help
- Walk backwards
- Point, make sounds or try to use words to ask for things
- Say "no", shake their head or push away something they don't want



2 Years

At two years of age, most babies:

- Use two to three word sentences
- Say about 50 words
- Recognize familiar pictures
- Kick a ball forward
- Feed themselves with a spoon
- Demand a lot of your attention
- Turn two or three pages together
- Like to imitate their parent
- Identify their hair, eyes, ears and nose by pointing
- Build a tower of four blocks
- Show affection



3 Years

At three years of age, most babies:

- Throw a ball overhand
- Ride a tricycle
- Put on their shoes
- Open the door
- Turn one page at a time
- Play with other children for a few minutes
- Repeat common rhymes
- Use three to five word sentences
- Name at least one color correctly