



EARLY SCREENING & EARLY INTERVENTION BEST PRACTICES FOR NAS





WE DON'T KNOW A LOT ABOUT THE LONG-TERM EFFECTS OF NAS ON A BABY. MORE RESEARCH IS NEEDED TO SEE HOW NAS AFFECTS A CHILD IN THE FIRST FEW YEARS OF LIFE AND LONGER.





NAS MAY CAUSE DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS
MOTOR, SPEECH, BEHAVIOR & LEARNING





DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS ARE WHEN A CHILD DOES NOT REACH DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES WHEN EXPECTED.



DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES ARE SKILLS AND ACTIVITIES THAT MOST CHILDREN CAN DO AT A CERTAIN AGE - SITTING, WALKING, TALKING, SOCIAL SKILLS, AND



THE EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM CAN DETERMINE IF A CHILD IS DEMONSTRATING A DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY





EI IN PA CONSISTS OF
COACHING SUPPORTS
DESIGNED TO HELP
FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN WHO HAVE
DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS
OR DISABILITIES AT NO
COST TO THE FAMILY





STEPS IN THE EI PROCESS

1. REFERRAL

2. ASSIGN SERVICE COORDINATOR

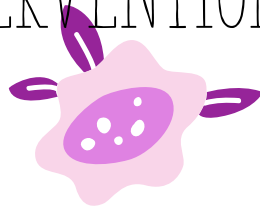
3. EVALUATION/ASSESSMENT

4.A - IF ELIGIBLE DEVELOP IFSP

4.B - IF NOT ELIGIBLE OFFER
TRACKING



EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES



SERVICE COORDINATION, SPEECH THERAPY, PHYSICAL THERAPY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY,
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION, NUTRITION, VISION THERAPY, AND HEARING THERAPY



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SERVICES ARE
PROVIDED DURING THE
CHILD'S DAILY
ACTIVITIES AT HOME,
IN THE COMMUNITY,
AT CHILDCARE,
PRESCHOOL, PLAY
GROUPS, ETC.



REFERRALS CAN BE
MADE BY CALLING
MERCER COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
OR CALL
1-800-692-7288





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