

Zero to Three

Early Intervention Eligibility

A child (birth to 3 yrs) who may fall into one or more of the following three categories should be referred for a developmental evaluation to determine eligibility & make appropriate referrals. See the reverse side for services provided to eligible children and their families.

Developmental Delay

Means a delay in one or more of the following developmental areas:

? Cognition

🗣️ Communication

😊 Social/Emotional/Behavioral

👁️ Physical (including vision & hearing)

✋ Adaptive (including self-help & self-regulation)

Biological Risk

A diagnosable physical or mental condition caused by prenatal, perinatal, neonatal, or early developmental events suggestive of biological insults to the developing central nervous system, which increases the probability of delayed development.

Includes, but is not limited to infants and toddlers in the following 2 categories:

1. Down Syndrome, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, AIDS, moderate-severe asphyxia, sensory impairments, SGA (small for gestational age), gestational age under 32 weeks, failure to thrive, hearing loss resulting from chronic otitis media, and infants born to mothers with diabetes, history of substance abuse, or history of mental illness.
2. Very low birth weight infants ($\leq 1,500$ g).

Environmental Risk

Physical, social or economic factors that may limit development, including but not limited to:

One of the Following Conditions:

- ☐ Parental age less than 16 years
- ☐ Any existing physical, developmental, emotional, or psychiatric disability in a primary caregiver
- ☐ Abuse of any legal or illegal substance by a primary caregiver
- ☐ Risk for child abuse and neglect

Two of the Following Conditions:

- ◇ Economically disadvantaged family
- ◇ Single parent
- ◇ Incarceration of a primary caregiver
- ◇ Parental age 16-18 & less than high school education
- ◇ Birthweight is 1,500-2,500 g
- ◇ Presence of physical, developmental, or psychiatric disability in a sibling or any other family member in the home

**For more information or to refer a child, call H-KISS at
800-235-5477 or 808-973-9633**

Zero to Three Early Intervention Services

Services are provided to children ages birth to three who have a delay in physical, cognitive, communication, social/emotional/behavioral, self-help, and/or self-regulation development. Our statewide network of providers includes Social Workers, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Special Educators, Assistive Technology Specialists, Audiologists, Nutritionists, Psychologists, Public Health Nurses, Healthy Start & Early Head Start Family Support Home Visitors, & Vision Specialists. Services are provided in the child's home, preschool, early intervention program, or other familiar environment to support the family's daily activities and routines.

- ☺ Developmental screenings and evaluations/assessments
- ☺ Therapeutic services
- ☺ Care coordination
- ☺ Transportation to early intervention programs and providers
- ☺ Support to parents in fostering their child's development in daily routines
- ☺ Linkage to and collaboration with other service providers
- ☺ Consultation to child care centers
- ☺ Parent-to-parent support
- ☺ Help with the transition to Department of Education, private preschools, or other appropriate services at age three

These services are free of charge to all eligible children & their families.

With the family's permission, we would be happy to discuss the evaluation/assessment results & service plan with you. Please see the reverse side for eligibility criteria.

To make a referral or get more information, call Hawai`i Keiki Information Service System (H-KISS) 1-800-235-5477 or 973-9633 on O`ahu.

The Early Intervention Section is part of the Department of Health and oversees early intervention services for children and families in Hawai`i. Information adapted 10/2004 from the Hawai`i State Part C Plan for Year XII.

