

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICES

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Infants and Toddlers who are Developmentally Delayed

Developmental delay means a delay in one or more of the following areas of development: cognition; communication; physical (including gross & fine motor, vision & hearing); social/emotional/behavioral; and adaptive (including self-help & self-regulation).

Infants and Toddlers who have Biological Risks that may lead to Developmental Delays

Biological risk means prenatal, perinatal, neonatal, or early developmental events suggestive of biological insults to the developing central nervous system, which increase the probability of delayed development. These are the children who have a diagnosed physical or mental condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay. It includes, but is not limited to infants and toddlers in the two following categories:

1. Down Syndrome, Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, AIDS, moderate-severe asphyxia, sensory impairments, SGA (small gestational age), gestational ages 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 birthweight infants (1,500 grams or less).

Infants and Toddlers who have Environmental Risk Factors that may lead to Developmental Delay

Environmental risk means physical, social, or economic factors that may limit development. Environmental risk includes, but is not limited to the following conditions:

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 and less than a high school education.
- Birthweight 1,500 – 2,500 grams.
- Presence of physical, developmental, emotional, or psychiatric disability in a sibling or any other family member in the home.