

How can I make a referral ?

Referrals to Early Intervention can be made by anyone. Parents may choose to call. Others may choose to have a Pediatrician, Hospital or Social Service Agency call.

Anyone may call if they are concerned about a child's development.

To make a referral call:

Westmoreland Casemanagement

and Supports, Inc.

(724)837-1808

1-800-353-6467

Business Hours:

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Call Connect Helpline at

1-800-692-7288

to make a referral anywhere in PA.



For More Information Contact:
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Westmoreland County Early Intervention Infant / Toddler Program



Supporting families
and children from
birth to three years
of age

What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention (EI) consists of services and supports designed to help families and children who have developmental delays or disabilities. Supports and Services are designed to build and enhance the natural learning that occurs in the early years. Services can include: information about how children develop, parent or caregiver education, developmental and instructional therapies that assist child development. This process promotes collaboration between the parent or caregiver and service provider. Services are provided in the home, community and other community settings identified by the family. Any child age birth to three years of age is eligible. For an evaluation.

Early Intervention services are based on a family focused delivery system. Services are provided to your child based on their strengths and any priorities identified by parents.

Some of the services that are available are:

- ◇ *Service Coordination*
- ◇ *Speech, Hearing, Vision, Nutritional Services*
- ◇ *Physical & Occupational Therapy*
- ◇ *Developmental Special Instruction*

Who is Eligible?

Any child who has a 25% delay in a developmental area is eligible for services or a child may have a medical condition likely to result in a developmental delay. Eligibility will be determined by a team of professionals who work with your family to access what your child's needs may be.

Are You Concerned About Your Child's Development?

All children grow and learn new skills at his or her own pace. Children can vary in skills and development. During the early years, children learn and grow by watching others and being shown how to do things. You know your child better than anyone else. If you have concerns about your child's development, early intervention can help.

AT NO COST TO FAMILIES

Skills by Age:

The following skills give a picture of what a child may be able to do at a given age. Make a referral to Early Intervention if you have concerns about the skills which match your child's age. This is only a brief list of developmental stages not a complete list of milestones.

By 6 months	Knows familiar faces, smiles, makes cooing sounds Lifts head, begins to roll over, holds toy briefly Likes to watch their own hands and looks at things around them Wants to try new foods, seems excited about being fed Can bring both hands to center, plays with toes, holds head up and rolls
By 1 year	Rolls a ball, looks for dropped toys Likes to play with a toy, can use a cup with help Sits up, creeps or crawls, pulls up to stand Says and understands a few words Starts to stand alone
By 18 months	Starts to say several words, makes noises as if talking Rolls a ball, does things they see others do Takes off some clothes, puts things in a box Uses a cup, spoon, and kicks a ball Starting to run and climb chairs
By 2 years	Speaks several words together Feeds self with spoon and drinks from cup Points to body parts when asked Kicks a ball, walks up and down stairs Likes to hear stories, plays alone for a short time