



## What is EI/ECSE?

Early Intervention and Early Childhood Special Education (EI/ECSE) are services for young children with developmental delays and disabilities. EI/ECSE programs serve children ages birth to five and their families. The services are free.

## When should I call the EI/ECSE program?

Contact your local EI/ECSE program if you have concerns about a baby, toddler or preschool child's development.

## Who can refer a child to EI/ECSE?

Anyone can refer a child to EI/ECSE. This includes families, childcare providers, preschools, physicians, and other community agencies. However, the family must provide permission before the child is screened or evaluated.

## Who should I call?

Call the EI/ECSE referral and evaluation agency in your area. The phone number for your local agency is on the back of this brochure.

## What happens after I call?

With the family's permission, the child may be screened and evaluated. This will help determine if the child is eligible for EI/ECSE services.

If the child is eligible, an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) is developed. The IFSP addresses the child's individual learning needs. A team of professionals works with the family to develop the IFSP.



## What services does EI/ECSE provide?

EI/ECSE specialists work with children and their families to plan the services and supports they need. These may include:

- Special instruction and other services, including speech, physical, and occupational therapy.
- Home visiting to help families support their child's development in everyday activities.
- Itinerant services in community preschools.
- Connections to community services and programs.

## Additional information:

<https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/specialeducation/earlyintervention>

