

BabyNet Facts

- BabyNet helps infants and toddlers with developmental delays and disabilities.
- Referral within two working days of identification—It's the law!
- Many BabyNet services are provided at no cost to families.
- Income and citizenship are NOT factors in determining BabyNet eligibility.
- The process is easy for families.
- If in doubt, refer to your local BabyNet office

Your local BabyNet Office:



Call DHEC's CareLine at

1-800-868-0404

www.scdhec.gov/babynet

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It's the Law*

Referral to BabyNet

1-800-868-0404



It's the LAW

Everyone who interacts with infants and toddlers in a professional capacity (including doctors, nurses, hospitals, school personnel, daycare providers, and many others) is mandated by federal law to refer infants and toddlers suspected of having or already experiencing a developmental delay to early intervention services.

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act states that infants and toddlers birth to three will be referred to the state's early intervention system "no more than 2 working days after a child has been identified." -34 CFR 303.321 (d) (2) (ii)

All you have to do is refer!

Referral Information

Why Should I Refer?

The years from birth to 3 are critical! Early Intervention is a federal right for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and/or a condition with a high probability of developmental delay. The early intervention system assists families in addressing the needs of their infant or toddler. These services assist the family in promoting developmental skills, preventing further delay, and reducing future costs of services.

Who to Refer?

Any infant or toddler birth to three that has any one of the following conditions:

- a developmental delay,
- a condition that may have a high probability of developmental delay, or
- a chronic illness.

When to Refer?

The federal law mandates referrals within **2 working days** from the time the infant or toddler is identified.

What Is Needed to Make a Referral?

Parent consent is not required for referral to BabyNet.

Infant's or toddler's name, date of birth, parent's name, address, and phone number.

Parental consent is required in order to send any further information.

Parents can only decline BabyNet services to BabyNet personnel.

How to Refer?

Simply call or fax the information to your local BabyNet office (contact information can be found on the back panel of this brochure) or call the DHEC CareLine at 1-800-868-0404.

BabyNet will contact the family to ask if the family is interested in pursuing early intervention services and with consent will determine if the child qualifies for early intervention services.

BabyNet Services

- BabyNet offers many services and supports to families of eligible children. All early intervention services are designed "to enhance the family's capacity to meet the developmental needs of the child".
-34 CFR 303.322 (d) (1)

- The infant or toddler's services will be described in an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). With parental consent, you may be sent a copy of the IFSP.

Early Intervention services may include:

- Assistive Technology
- Audiology
- Family Training/Counseling
- Health Services
- Medical Evaluation for Eligibility
- Nursing
- Nutrition Services
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Psychological Services
- Service Coordination
- Social Work
- Special Instruction
- Speech and Language Pathology
- Transportation
- Vision Services