



# My child was referred for Early Intervention Services... What now?

## Have More Questions?

If your child is **0-3 years old**  
call 215-685-4646.

If your child is **3-5 years old**  
call 215-222-8054.

Once your child begins Early Intervention, a service coordinator can answer ongoing questions you may have.

**All children grow and develop in different ways. Some children need a little extra help. Early Intervention can help your family with how your child develops, learns and behaves.**





### **Why was my child referred for Early Intervention?**

All children develop at their own pace and in their own way. Some children need a little help to catch up. Getting help early from Early Intervention can have a big impact.

### **What is Early Intervention?**

Early Intervention provides services to young children and their caregivers to help the child communicate, learn and get along with others. Early Intervention will help your child prepare for entering school.

### **How much does it cost?**

Early Intervention is provided at no cost to you.

### **Where do I have to go to get Early Intervention?**

Early Intervention can be provided in your home, or another location such as a childcare program. Early Intervention can be provided in your native language.

### **What do I need to do?**

You can help your child reach his or her goals. The Early Intervention professional will show you fun ways to teach your child. These activities will help your child grow and develop.

### **What happens now that my child has been referred for early intervention?**

**There are 5 steps.**

**Step 1:** An intake coordinator will call you to complete the referral and answer your questions.

**Step 2:** A service coordinator will call to set up a time to meet.

**Step 3:** The service coordinator will visit with you and your child, usually in your home.

**Step 4:** An Early Intervention team will come to your home to evaluate your child. They will determine if your child is eligible for Early Intervention. If your child qualifies for services, then you and the team will make a plan to help your child.

**Step 5:** Early Intervention begins. An Early Intervention professional will come to your home and work with you and your child.



### **What if I am not available during the day?**

The Early Intervention professional will work with your schedule. They can provide services in the evening or on weekends as needed.

### **How long will my child receive services?**

Your child can receive free services through age five if he or she needs them.

