



**TITLE:** In-Home Early Intervention Services

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In-home Infant Development services are designed specifically for infants and toddlers under the age of two who have significant delays in the functional areas of cognition, adaptive skills, fine and gross motor, communication, and self-help. They are intended to improve functioning in the areas of delayed development and to help parents understand their child's delay and support the child's development. Interventionists work with parents at home and in the community to provide activities and ways for parents to support their child in learning. All infant development programs vendored by the Regional Center provide parent training and support, and parents are expected to actively participate in these activities on a regular basis. The services and supports may begin upon completion of the child's initial IFSP and may continue until the child reaches age 2.

At age two a child receiving in-home services may transition to community-based parent/child activities, such as a Mommy and Me program or typical preschool. The decision about the appropriateness of such a transition is made by the IFSP team based on the results of assessments. If the child continues to have global delays, medical challenges or behavior challenges he may continue to receive in-home services or may transition to a center based early intervention program. Again, the type of service that is most appropriate for the child is determined by the IFSP team.

### **Reauthorization of Services**

The need for continuation of in-home early intervention services is assessed at the time of the semi-annual IFSP. Services terminate when the child's eligibility for the Early Start program ends at age 3.