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The Early Start Program is California's early intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. Early Start services are available statewide and are provided in a coordinated, family-centered system. Inland Regional Center (IRC) is one of 21 Regional Centers in California and is mandated by the Lanterman Act to implement the Early Start Program.

Who is Eligible for Early Start Services?

Infants and toddlers from birth to age 36 months may be eligible for early intervention services through Early Start if, through documented evaluation and assessment, they meet one of the criteria listed below:

- Have a developmental delay of at least 25% in one or more areas of cognitive, receptive communication, expressive communication, social or emotional, adaptive, or physical and motor development including vision and hearing; or
- Have an established risk condition of known etiology, with a high probability or resulting in delayed development, including Fetal Alcohol Syndrome; or
- Be considered at risk of having a substantial developmental disability due to a combination of biomedical risk factors of which are diagnosed by qualified personnel.

How to Apply for Services

Anyone can make a referral, including parents, medical care providers, neighbors, family members, foster parents, and daycare providers. An online application may be filled out at inlandrc.org/intake or you may contact us by telephone or send a fax to:

San Bernardino County Residents:

Phone - (909) 890-4711

Fax - (909) 890-4709

Riverside County Residents:

Phone - (909) 890-4763

Fax - (909) 890-3055

What to Expect Next

Within 45 days, the regional center will:

- Assign a service coordinator to assist the family through the evaluation and assessment procedures.
- Obtain your consent, schedule, and complete assessments of your child's development.
- If your infant or toddler is eligible for early intervention services, an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) will be developed that addresses the strengths and needs of the infant or toddler, parental concerns, and early intervention services.
- Identify early intervention services that are provided in the family home or other community settings.

For more information, visit us at www.inlandrc.org or call (909) 890-3000.



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