Services are available on all islands. Please call the Early Intervention Referral Line for concerns about a child’s development:

Oahu 808 594 0066
Neighbor Islands (toll-free) 1 800 235 5477
TTY is available

Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
After hours, please leave a message and your call will be returned.

For children over 3 years of age, call the Department of Education Operation Search at 808 305 9810 or 1 800 297 2070.

NEIGHBOR ISLANDS
Families and providers on the neighbor islands may also call the Early Intervention program:

Kona/Kau Child Development Program
Family Support Services of West Hawaii 808 334 4114 ext. 120

North Hawaii Child Development Program
Family Support Services of West Hawaii 808 885 0086 ext. 3#

Hilo Easter Seals 808 961 3081

Imua Family Services – Molokai 808 553 3276

Imua Family Services (Maui & Lanai) 808 244 7467

Kauai Easter Seals 808 245 7141

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Early Intervention Section
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Honolulu, Hawaii 96814
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http://health.hawaii.gov/eis

WHAT MANY CHILDREN CAN DO
As children grow, they learn new things. If you have any concerns about how a child is learning and developing, call the Early Intervention Referral Line.

At 6 months, many children
- Respond to own name
- Respond to other people’s emotions and often seems happy
- Copy sounds
- Like to play with others, especially parents

At 1 year (12 months), many children
- Use simple gestures, like shaking head “no” or waving “bye-bye”
- Say “mama” and “dada” and exclamation like “uh-oh!”
- Copy gestures
- Respond to simple spoken requests

At 1 ½ years (18 months), many children
- Play simple pretend, such as feeding a doll
- Point to show others something interesting
- Show a full range of emotions, such as happy, sad, angry
- Say several single words

At 2 years (24 months), many children
- Say sentences with 2 to 4 words
- Follow simple instructions
- Get excited when with other children
- Point to things or pictures when they are named

At 3 years (36 months), many children
- Show affection for friends without prompting
- Carry on a conversation using 2 to 3 sentences
- Copy adults and friends
- Play make-believe with dolls, animals, and people

From: Milestones Card
“It’s time to change how we view a child’s growth” www.cdc.gov/actearly
Having a delay means that a child’s development may be slower than expected. This is determined through a developmental evaluation.

Having a high probability for a delay means that a child has a condition (such as cerebral palsy or Down syndrome) that may result in developmental delay.

The Early Intervention Programs provide services for children birth to three years of age with special needs and their families. Specialists support parents in helping their child develop in the following areas:

**COMMUNICATION**
- talking
- understanding

**COGNITIVE**
- paying attention
- solving problems

**PHYSICAL**
- sitting
- walking
- picking up small objects

**SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL**
- playing with others
- having confidence

**ADAPTIVE**
- eating
- dressing self

Services are provided in places where a child lives, learns, and grows.

**SERVICES INCLUDE:**
- Assistive Technology
- Audiology
- Care Coordination
- Family Training, Counseling and Home Visits
- Nursing
- Nutrition
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Psychology Services
- Sign Language and Cued Speech
- Social Work
- Special Instruction
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Vision Services

Parents and/or caregivers are “coached” on how to help their child learn and grow.

The Hawaii State Department of Health provides access to activities without regard to race, color, national origin (including language), age, sex, religion, or disability. Write our Affirmative Action Officer at Box 3378, Honolulu, HI 96801-3378, or call 808-586-4616 (voice/TTY) within 180 days of a problem.

If you would like to make a donation to the Early Intervention Trust Fund, call 594-0070 for more information.