What if I have concerns about my infant or toddler's development?

- Speak with your child's pediatrician or primary healthcare provider
- Contact Baby Watch or your local EI program to request a FREE evaluation

Resources

For more information about the early intervention services available in your area, please contact:

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800 961 4226

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What is Baby Watch?

Baby Watch is the state agency responsible for Part C early intervention (EI) services in Utah. Our statewide network of EI programs serves the families of eligible infants and toddlers with developmental delays or disabilities.

What is Early Intervention?

Early intervention (EI) is a parent coaching program that teaches families how to support their infant or toddler's development. EI services are customized for every child and family, and are provided by a team of qualified personnel that may include:

- service coordinators
- registered nurses
- dieticians
- child development specialists
- occupational therapists
- social workers
- speech-language pathologists
- physical therapists
- behavior specialists

Our Process

1 Referral

A parent/guardian or professional is concerned about an infant or toddler's development, and contacts Baby Watch or a local EI program to request a FREE evaluation.

2 Evaluation & Assessment

The local EI program conducts a comprehensive evaluation and assessment of the child's development and the family's needs and concerns.

3 Eligibility Decision

The child may be eligible for services based on medical diagnosis, test scores, or clinical opinion. Children who are not found eligible may be evaluated again in 6 months.

4 IFSP Meeting

The family of an eligible child meets with the EI team to create an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) that contains the goals for that child and family for the next year.

5 Service Visits

The EI team provides services as outlined in the IFSP, typically in the family's home or in a community setting.

6 Periodic & Annual IFSP Reviews

The team reviews the child's IFSP as needed throughout the year, at least every 6 months. The IFSP is updated each year at the annual review meeting.

7 Transition

As the child approaches their third birthday, the family and local EI program prepare for special education preschool and/or other community-based services.