Services are provided on a non-discriminatory basis.

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### Developmental Services of Franklin County, Inc.

## Early Intervention Program



Working together with children and families

# Your child may benefit from early intervention

if...

Your child might benefit from early intervention if he or she is **under three years old** and **has shown delays** in any of the following developmental areas:

- **Talking** (language/communication)
- Sitting, walking (gross motor)
- Reaching, using hands (fine motor)
- Feeding, dressing (self-help)
- Expressing feelings, relating to others, behavior (personal/social)
- Learning, thinking (cognition)



Early Intervention is designed to help infants and toddlers improve their developmental skills.

Early Intervention is family-centered. Parents play a primary role in identifying and working towards the goals they would like their child to reach.

Early skill development advances future learning and independence.



### **Program Areas**

- Occupational, Physical & Speech Therapy
- Individual Feeding Therapy
- Feeding Group Therapy
- Sensory-Motor Groups
- Developmental Assessments

#### Family Support/Resources

- Individual guidance is provided to assist parents in more effective parenting techniques.
- Help in locating therapy services or other services that your child or family may need is available.
- Referral to formal counseling, First Steps, school districts, etc. are made.
- Family networking events help to provide parents and siblings with the opportunity to meet and share ideas with other families.

The Early Intervention Program collaborates with the Missouri First Steps Program.

