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### Who Should Be Referred?

Any child age birth to five who may have developmental concerns may be referred to MECP. Areas of concern may include:

- Speech and Language
  - Motor
  - Behavior
- Socialization (relating to others)
  - Learning
  - Vision
  - Hearing

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### Who Can Make A Referral?

Referrals may come from anyone. The most common referrals come from parents, preschool teachers, physicians, and other public agencies.

### How to Make A Referral

To make a referral you may either call 503-262-4100 or download the MECP Referral Form below and fax it to 503-262-4109.

[MECP Referral Form PDF](#)

### If Your Child is Birth to 3 Years - Eligibility Will Be Considered For Early Intervention (EI)

- Services to children ages birth to 3 include providing you with strategies/activities to incorporate into your child's daily routines, sharing information about child development, and supporting you as your child's primary teacher.
- Team members may include an early intervention teacher, speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist, or physical therapist.

[Eligibility Process \(Birth to 3 Years\) PDF](#)

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### If Your Child is 3 to 5 Years - Eligibility Will Be Considered For Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE)

- The focus of ECSE is to provide developmentally appropriate instruction to children with developmental delays, which encourages independence, but strongly relies on continued involvement from parents.
- Services to children 3 to 5 can include Early Childhood Special Education classrooms, speech groups, language groups, classrooms designed for children with autism, behavioral classrooms, and consultation and/or direct service to children in community preschool settings.

[Eligibility Process \(3 -5 Years\) PDF](#)

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If your child does not demonstrate a need for special education services at this time, but has some mild to moderate delays in some area of development, you may access services privately through a mental health agency, hospital, counselor or therapist. The intake assistant or assessment coordinator may provide private community resource information. If it is determined that the child did not demonstrate a need or meet eligibility criteria for special education services, and the family or guardian becomes concerned again at a later date, another referral to our agency would be appropriate.

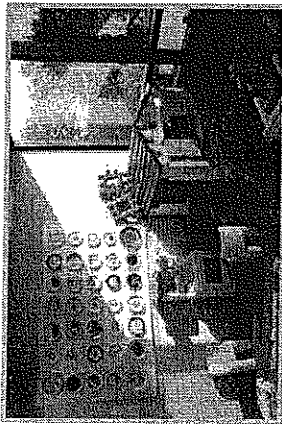
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If you are worried about your child's development -

## Clackamas ESD can help E/ECSE Specialists help your child to develop skills through:

- *Cognitive Support:* assisting with problem solving, memory skills, and preschool readiness.
- *Occupational therapy:* using arms, hands, and fingers to reach for, play with, and manipulate large/small toys and to color, cut, and write.
- *Physical therapy:* using large muscles to successfully move around and explore the world.



- *Speech/language therapy:* understanding and using language to communicate with others.
- *Vision and Hearing services:* providing instruction and support for those with vision and hearing challenges.
- *Service coordination:* combining services we provide and those you can find in your community into an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) designed just for you and your child!

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(English and Español)
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## Early Childhood Services

Serving Children Birth Through Age 5

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## Do You Have Concerns About Your Baby or Toddler?



If your child is younger than three years of age, he/she may qualify for our

### Early Intervention Program (EI):

- We will work with you to evaluate your child's development in learning, moving, and talking.
- We can provide you with specialized strategies and support if your child is a little behind.
- We will work with you in your child's natural environment(s) and daily routines.
- We will work with you, the family, to support your child's learning and development.
- We recognize that *you* are your child's first and best teacher, and together we can support your child's learning and skill development.

## Do You Have Concerns About Your Young Child?

If your child is aged 3 years or more, but is not old enough for kindergarten, he/she may qualify for our

### Early Childhood Special Education Program (ECSE):

- We test your child to check his/her level of development.
- We provide classes and/or home visits to teach your child new skills.
- We consult with your family and others about how you can best help your child.



**We welcome calls from anyone with a question or concern about a young child.**



**Call Us Today!**  
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(503) 675-4097

**We can work with you and your child:**

- at your home
- in your child's preschool
- at your youngster's child care
- in small groups in local schools
- in a parent group

**To pursue entry into our program:**

- Call us with basic information about your child.
  - We will send you forms to complete.
  - An observation of your child and a family interview will take place.
  - All the information is reviewed in detail by a team of EI/ECSE specialists.
  - Together we decide to further evaluate or gather more information about your child.
  - An evaluation may be scheduled to fully assess whether your child is eligible for our program.
  - If your child is determined to be eligible for EI or ECSE, we write an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) together.
  - Your child will then receive EI/ECSE services according to the plan (IFSP)
- If your child is determined to not be eligible for our program, we will make helpful suggestions for his/her healthy development.