

EARLY INTERVENTION



Early Intervention (EI) is a program offered through the New York State Department of Health for infants and toddlers with developmental delays. EI offers free support services to children under the age of 3 and their families. Physical, occupational, and speech therapy, family support groups and counseling, vision services, assistive technology, and psychological services.

REFERRING CHILDREN TO EI

If you think your child has a developmental delay and needs help, you can make a referral to EI by calling 311 or contacting your Early Intervention Official (see borough contacts below). This will lead to an evaluation that will determine if s/he is eligible for EI and the services your child needs.

THE BRONX

1309 Fulton Avenue,
5th Floor
Bronx, NY 10456
Phone: (718) 838-6887
Fax: (718) 838-6862

BROOKLYN

16 Court Street,
2nd & 6th Floors
Brooklyn, NY 11241
Phone: (718) 722-3310
Fax: (718) 722-2998

MANHATTAN

42 Broadway,
Suite 1027
New York, NY 10004
Phone: (212)436-0900
Fax: (212) 436-0902

QUEENS

90-27 Parson Blvd.
Jamaica, NY 11432
Phone: (718) 480-2249
Fax: (718) 553-3997

STATEN ISLAND

51 Stuyvesant Place
Staten Island, NY 10301
Phone: (718) 568-2300
Fax: (718) 568-2341

NEXT STEPS

After the referral, you will be assigned an initial service coordinator who will talk with you about your concerns, review your rights, discuss evaluation options, and attend the evaluation with you if you wish. You should also receive a copy of "A Parent's Guide to the Early Intervention Program".

If the evaluation shows that your child is eligible for EI, your initial service coordinator will set up a meeting to develop your Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). EI must schedule this meeting within 45 days of the initial referral. Your initial service coordinator will also answer any questions you have about the EI program and explain how your health insurance can be used. Early Intervention services will not cost you anything.