

Babies Can't Wait Early Intervention Program

Babies Can't Wait is Georgia's comprehensive early intervention program for infants and toddlers (ages birth to three) who are experiencing developmental delays or who have a mental or physical condition that has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay.

Under the program, babies and their families receive support and resources through a team that includes an assigned service coordinator and other professionals, such as an occupational therapist, physical therapist, speech and language therapist, early intervention specialist or registered nurse.

The family may also select family members and others – like neighbors and childcare providers – to be on the team.

The first step of involvement with Babies Can't Wait is a full developmental evaluation to determine eligibility for the program at no cost to the family.

If your child is determined to be eligible, the team will develop a written Individualized Family Service Plan. The plan will identify goals that will support your child's participation in his or her home and community and the supports and resources needed by your family to accomplish them.

Once the plan is written, a primary service provider is chosen from the team. The primary service provider is responsible for assisting your family in meeting the goals in the written plan.

Other team members support the primary service provider and your family whenever needed.

Babies Can't Wait serves children and their families regardless of income.

For more information or to make a referral to Babies Can't Wait, call 1-800-430-4212.