Developmental Milestones

By 3 Months

- Pays attention to and focuses on faces
- Follows moving objects with eyes
- Makes cooing sounds "ooh" or "aah"
- Lifts head when laying on tummy & chest

By 6 Months

- Smiles on their own and copy smiling/laughing
- Cries in different ways i.e. bored, hungry, tired
- Reaches for and bats at a toy/holds toys
- Rolls from tummy to back

By 9 Months

- Enjoys games like "peek-a-boo"
- Babbles different sounds
- Tries to get a toy that has fallen or out of reach
- Sits without support

By 12 Months

- Waves "hi" or "bye-bye"
- Uses gestures like reaching, pointing, or shaking head "no"
- Drops a toy into a container/find hidden objects
- Crawls on hands-knees/begin walking

By 18 Months

- Gets upset when caregiver leaves
- Says 30 words on his/her own/imitate words
- Follows simple directions like "bring the ball"
- Walks alone

By 2 Years

- Wants to be independent during routines
- Begins to play with other children
- Uses more than 50 words/2-3 words together
- Runs and climbs

By 3 Years

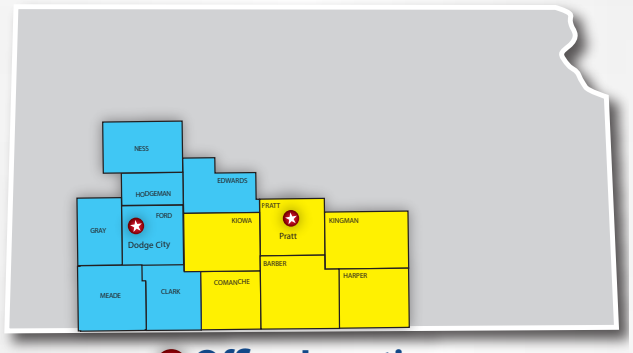
- Independent when eating and dressing
- Uses 3-5 word sentences in conversation
- Uses many strategies to problem solve
- Uses imagination in play
- Walks up and down stairs

Our Mission

Early intervention services build upon and provide supports and resources to assist family members and caregivers to enhance children's learning and development through everyday learning opportunities.

Arrowhead West Infant - Toddler Services

Service Area



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There are many skills that develop in the first three years of a child's life. When infants and toddlers meet developmental milestones at a later time, it is called a developmental delay. Our Arrowhead West Infant-Toddler Services team help infants and toddlers meet their next milestones.

What Are Early Intervention Services?

You may know about special education - the services and supports that help some children make progress in school. What you may not know is that the same law, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), makes sure there is help available for younger children and their families as well.

Early intervention is like special education for school-age children, but it's for eligible infants and toddlers. It gives them the support they need to progress in their developmental milestones.
Early intervention focuses on skills in these five areas:

PHYSICAL SKILLS
reaching, crawling, walking, drawing, building

COGNITIVE SKILLS
thinking, learning, solving problems

COMMUNICATION SKILLS
talking, listening, understanding others

SELF-HELP OR ADAPTIVE SKILLS
eating, dressing, potty training

SOCIAL or EMOTIONAL SKILLS
playing, interacting with others

Through early intervention, infants and toddlers can receive services at home or in their community. Different types of licensed specialists work with children depending on which skills are delayed. Obtaining services early helps many children learn skills to thrive in school and in life.

What Do Early Intervention Services Look Like?

If your child is eligible, a Family Service Coordinator (FSC) is assigned to your family to develop an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). This plan defines outcomes and the types of services that will help you and your child. Services are delivered primarily by a licensed early intervention professional. In addition, support services are provided through consults and joint visits as needed by other professionals from our team.

A child may receive one or more of these services at no cost to the family:

- **Screening and Assessment**
- **Family Training and Home Visits**
- **Special Instruction**
- **Speech-Language Pathology/Sign Language and Cued Speech**
- **Hearing (Audiology Services)**
- **Vision**
- **Physical and Occupational Therapy**
- **Social Work and Psychological**
- **Family Service Coordination**
- **Medical, Nursing, Health and Nutrition**
- **Assistive Technology**
- **Transportation**

How Long Do Early Intervention Services Last?

Early intervention services last until a child's third birthday, if the child remains eligible. Your child's Family Service Coordinator will hold a transition meeting to talk about transitioning your child from early intervention services to special education services under IDEA (programs for ages 3-5 in your community).

Who Qualifies for Early Intervention Services?

Early intervention is for children ages birth to age 3. To be eligible, your child must have either:

1. A developmental delay

   Or

2. A specific health condition that will probably lead to a delay. This could include certain genetic disorders, birth defects and hearing loss.

Who Can Refer My Child?

Anyone can refer including parents, physicians, health care providers, child care providers, social service agencies, and early learning programs.

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