



WHAT TO EXPECT DURING AN EARLY INTERVENTION VISIT

Early Intervention (EI) providers use coaching during visits to help parents and other caregivers interact with their child in ways that support learning and development.

- At the beginning of the visit, you and your provider will talk about what you tried with your child since the last visit-what did and did not work. Tell your provider about anything new since the last visit. Talk about what you want to focus on during today's visit.

- Your provider joins in what you and your child are already doing when he or she arrives, or you may begin an activity you have chosen to focus on during this visit. Your provider observes how you and your child play and interact during your daily routines and activities, shows you a strategy to use, then asks you to try it.

- Your provider helps you practice new ways to help your child meet his/her goals and you talk about how to include the strategies in your daily routines. Between visits, you can put into action strategies you came up with together.

- You and your provider discuss the activities and strategies practiced during the visit-what went well, what didn't, and what you can do the next time.

- Your provider shares information with you and helps you figure out what strategies will best help your child meet his/her goals.

- At the end of the visit, you and your provider create a plan of what you want to try with your child between visits and you schedule your next visit. Visits can be scheduled in your home or other community locations.



TO MAKE A REFERRAL

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