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Supporting Parents to Enhance  
Children's Learning  
And Development

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Dear Parents:

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, Infant Toddler Services of Riley County has had to consider other alternative platforms to ensure continuity of care for the infants, toddlers and families that we service. We will be offering 2 alternative options: virtual home visits (tele-intervention/tele-visits) and telephone conference calls.

Evidence-based practices that are in compliance with early intervention guidelines and recommendations include family-centered interventions that enhance the quality of the family's lives, occur in the child's natural learning environment, educate the parents in appropriate family-centered intervention strategies, and promote the development of the young child's skills through parent coaching. Tele-intervention offers an effective option for implementing evidence-based family-centered early intervention services.

A good tele-intervention session should look the same as a high-quality traditional home visit. Recommended practices for both tele-intervention and traditional home visits include the use of coaching strategies, routines-based interventions, and naturalistic teaching opportunities. Parent coaching is a central component of teleintervention; therefore, active participation of the parent is essential.

Our ITS-Riley team are highly trained in providing family-centered coaching to families. Please be patient with us as we learn how to use, organize, and arrange the family-centered coaching visits on a virtual platform.

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