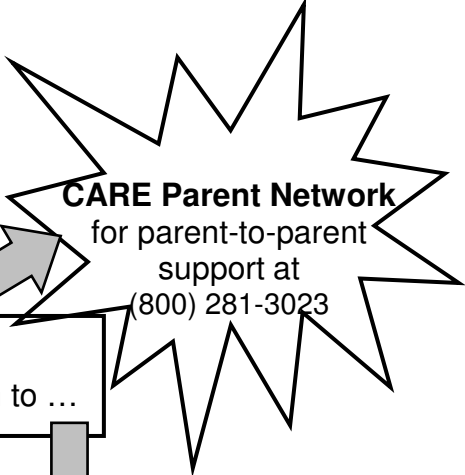


*Contra Costa County  
Early Start Program*

**Concern** about a child's development leads to...



**Referral**  
by professional, parent, or other concerned person to ...

**Local Education Agency (LEA)**  
Mt. Diablo Unified School District  
 For vision, hearing or orthopedic concerns only  
 (925) 825-0144  
West Contra Costa Unified S.D.  
 (510) 233-1955  
San Ramon Valley Unified S.D.  
 Also serves Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda & Walnut Creek school districts  
 (925) 743-9710  
Early Start  
 For all school districts not listed above  
 (925) 625-6330 ext.110

**Regional Center of the East Bay**  
 If a child:  
 • has an established risk condition  
 • has significant delay in 1 or more developmental areas  
 • is at high risk for developmental disabilities.  
 (510) 383-1355

**California Children Services**  
 If child has an eligible medical condition  
 (925) 313-6100

**Evaluation** of child by Regional Center or LEA to determine eligibility (parental consent required).  
**IF ELIGIBLE**

**Other community resources:**  
 Health Services, Social Services, Mental Health, Alcohol & Drug Programs and other agencies.  
 For complete list, contact **CARE Parent Network.**

**Assessment** of child's needs & family priorities and resources leading to development of....

**Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)**  
 For children birth to 3 years old and their families.  
 Summary:  
 • Family & agency representatives meet to review child's assessment & needs of the family.  
 • Desired developmental outcomes are determined & necessary services are identified.  
 • An IFSP plan is written outlining desired outcomes, services and service providers.  
 • Services begin.  
 The IFSP must be completed 45 days from referral date.  
 Progress is reviewed every 6 months & IFSP revised as needed.

**At about age 30 months:**  
 Evaluation begins to determine continuing Regional Center eligibility after age 3 & eligibility for LEA special education preschool services.  
**IF ELIGIBLE**      **If not eligible**

**Individualized Education Program (IEP)** is developed with LEA and/or  
**Individualized Program Plan (IPP)** is developed with Regional Center

Early Start services end at age 3