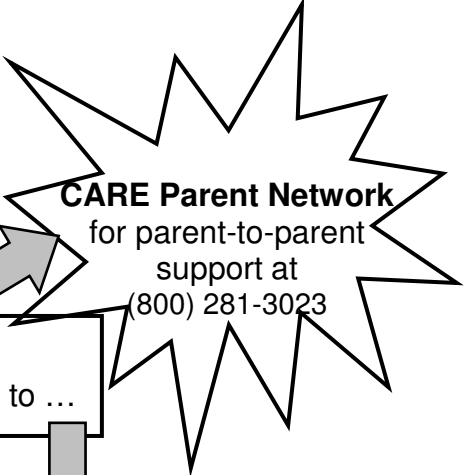


*Contra Costa County
Early Start Program*

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

and



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.210

Regional Center of the East Bay
 If a child:
 • has an established risk condition
 • has significant delay in 1 or more developmental areas

 (510) 618-6195

California Children Services
 If child has an eligible medical condition and family meets income eligibility

 (925) 313-6100

Evaluation of child by Regional Center or LEA to determine eligibility (parental consent required).
IF ELIGIBLE for Early Start
If not eligible for Early Start, child may be eligible for...

Regional Center Prevention Program
 If not eligible for this program, refer to...

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.

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