



About EarlySteps:

EarlySteps provides services to families with infants and toddlers aged birth to three years (36 months) who have a medical condition likely to result in a developmental delay, or who have developmental delays. Children with delays in cognitive, motor, vision, hearing, communication, social-emotional or adaptive development may be eligible for services.

EarlySteps services are designed to improve the family's capacity to enhance their child's development. These services are provided in the child's natural environment, such as the child's home, child care or any other community setting typical for children aged birth to 3 years (36 months).

Who Funds EarlySteps?

EarlySteps services are provided through the support of several funds:

- Federal Medicaid funds
- Federal Part C funds
- State Medicaid Matching funds
- State Part C funds

Services:

Services the EarlySteps program provides include:

- Assistive technology
- Audiology
- Health Services (family education, assistance with other EarlySteps services only)
- Medical Services (evaluation only)
- Nutrition Services
- Occupational Therapy Services
- Physical Therapy Services
- Psychological Services
- Service Coordination
- Social Work Services
- Special Instruction
- Speech Language Pathology
- Translation Interpreter Services (foreign language and sign language)
- Transportation (to and from an EarlySteps service only)
- Vision Services

Most of this information was taken from the Louisiana Department of Health websites. For more information, direct contacts and FAQ visit:

<http://new.dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/page/139/n/139>