

Do you have concerns about your infant or toddler's development?



Families Lead the Way

All families want the best for their children. From time to time, your family may have questions about how your infant or toddler is learning or developing. The BabyNet system is here to help. BabyNet works with you to identify, coordinate and provide the services and resources your family needs to help your child learn and develop. To take part in BabyNet, you must have a child age birth to 3 years old who may have delays in his or her ability to play, think, talk or move.

Children who meet eligibility criteria are served regardless of family income or citizenship.



Three Steps to Services

The First Step: Referral

If you or a professional have concerns about your child's development, contact DHEC's Care Line at 1-800-868-0404 to find the BabyNet office nearest you.

The Second Step: Working Together Through Service Coordination

After you have contacted your local BabyNet office, a BabyNet Coordinator will visit you. This person will become your family's personal guide to agencies, services and resources you may want or need for your infant/ toddler and family. This service is provided to you at no cost.

The BabyNet Coordinator Will:

- Assist in determining if your child is eligible for the BabyNet program;
- Tell your family about resources and services in your community that match your priorities and concerns.

The Third Step: Lead Service Coordination

Once your child is determined eligible, BabyNet will work with you to select a Lead Service Coordinator that will:

- Listen to your family's hopes, priorities, concerns and questions;
- Help you to find out more about your child's development;
- Work together with you to design a unique plan for your infant/toddler and family.

Your family and the Lead Service Coordinator will continue to work together as a team to help your child learn and develop. Over time, your partnership with the BabyNet system will enable you to find the services and resources you need for your family.



Services and Supports

BabyNet's services are designed based upon the developmental and educational needs of the child. Examples of services for eligible children include:

- Assistive Technology
- Audiology
- · Family Training/Counseling
- Health Services
- Medical Evaluation for Eligibility
- Nutrition Services
- Occupational Therapy
- · Physical Therapy
- · Psychological Services
- Service Coordination
- Social Work
- Special Instruction/
 Early Intervention
- Speech and Language Pathology
- Transportation
- Vision Services

Collaborating Agencies

BabyNet consists of parents and professionals working together. There are many agencies involved in the BabyNet program.

- · S.C. Commission for the Blind
- S.C. Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
- S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control
- S.C. Department of Health and Human Services
- · S.C. Department of Mental Health
- · S.C. Department of Social Services
- S.C. School for the Deaf and the Blind

For more information call DHEC's Care Line at 1-800-868-0404

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