

ABOUT US

The Center for Speech and Language Pathology is a full service center that specializes in the evaluation and treatment of children and adults with speech and language disorders. Our center consists of eight full-time, dedicated, well-trained speech-language pathologists who strive for excellence in patient care, teamwork, and continued improvement of knowledge and skills in our field.



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Early Intervention: Therapy for Children Birth to Three



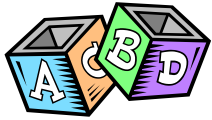
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What is Early Intervention?

Early intervention is play-based language therapy provided to toddlers who are delayed in their development of speech and language.

PREDICTORS OF NEED FOR INTERVENTION

- Small vocabulary with limited verbs
- Language comprehension delay
- Few vocalizations, limited consonants or vowels
- Limited variety in babbling
- Restricted syllable structure
- Few spontaneous imitations
- Little or no pretend play
- Few communicative gestures
- Reduced rate of communication
- Frustration and behavioral problems



WHO IS AT RISK?

- Children with a history of developmental disorders or prematurity
- Children with hearing impairments
- Children with language or sensory deprivation
- Children with a family history of delayed speech and language

EVALUATION PROCESS

A comprehensive evaluation may assess the following areas:

- Expressive language (what the child says)
- Receptive language (what the child understands)
- Play skills
- Feeding skills

Following this, a treatment program is devised that is best-suited to meet the child's individual needs. Suggestions for facilitating language are also provided to the child's caregivers, who are actively included in the evaluation and treatment processes.

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TREATMENT

Treatment is conducted in the form of play-based, child-centered language therapy. In this spontaneous play setting, several goals may be targeted depending on the child's needs. Goals may include:

- Expansion of vowels and consonants
- Expansion of word shapes
- Increased single-word and two-word combinations
- Overall expansion of utterances
- Improved play skills
- Improved comprehension

OBTAINING SERVICES

Research has shown that intensive, frequent early intervention services are the most beneficial for children with a speech and language delay.

Our offices are open Monday through Friday, with a wide variety of times available to suit every schedule. Call to make your appointment with us today!