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Do You Want to Be Trained to Do Developmental Screenings in Your Own Program?

- Please read the Birth to 5: Watch Me Thrive! A Compendium of Screening Measures for Young Children. This document provides a list of all the developmental screening tools available, a description of each, and how they can be accessed.
  https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/ecd/screening_compendium_march2014.pdf
- Reach out to important community resources including, but not limited to, Easter Seals, your local school district, your CFC, your special education technical assistance STAR NET regional site, Child Care Resource & Referral or Head Start agency to see if someone is able to train your staff on how to administer a developmental screening.

Helpful resources about developmental screenings

- **IL Early Learning Project, "What is Developmental Screening?" Tip Sheet**
  http://illinoisearlylearning.org/tipsheets/screening.htm in English
  http://illinoisearlylearning.org/tipsheets-sp/screening-sp.htm in Spanish
  A developmental screening tip sheet with basic definitions, links and resources.
- **Birth to 5: Watch Me Thrive:**
  https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/ecd/ece_providers_guide_march2014.pdf
  A federal website with many tools and resources related to developmental screenings. This website is still a work in progress, and will continue to be developed over the months to come. Even now, however, it contains useful information.
- **When I'm 3, Where Will I Be?**
  http://www.isbe.state.il.us/earlychi/pdf/transition_workbook.pdf
  A workbook designed to help families transition from Early Intervention to Early Childhood Special Education.
- **Illinois State Board of Education Early Childhood Special Education**
  http://www.isbe.net/spec-ed/html/sped_early_child.htm
  The Illinois State Board of Education website offers various resources that are helpful to programs and families.
- **ExceleRate® Illinois**
  http://www.excelerateillinoisproviders.com/resources/resources-by-standard?id=50
  Provides a list of various screening tools and resources related to screenings that programs may find helpful.
- **Look What I Can Do**
  A guide for talking to parents about their child and services available through Early Intervention for eligible children.
  http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=32349

Helpful resources about developmental screenings

- **Center for Disease Control and Prevention: Learn the Signs. Act Early.**
  http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/milestones/index.html
  A helpful Developmental Milestones Checklist for parents. Available in Spanish and English.

  - **"Baby Steps: Learn the Signs. Act Early."**
    http://www.cdc.gov/CDCtv/BabySteps
    A short, user-friendly video that early care and education providers can watch or share with parents.

  - **Child Development: It's Better to Know/Desarrollo Infantil: Es Mejor Saber**
    http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/video/ltsae_spanish/index.html
    A video that explains in Spanish the term "developmental milestones," how to identify developmental milestones, and how to access help if parents have concerns.

  - **Your Child's Early Development is a Journey**
    http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/pdf/parents_pdfs/mo-wic-broch_2_english_508.pdf
    A colorful, fun check-off list of various milestones that families can post on a refrigerator or wall at home.

  - **The Center for Disease Control and Prevention offers developmental milestones information in Portuguese, Arabic, Korean and Somali.**
    http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly/downloads.html#languages

- **ISBE Educational Rights and Responsibilities: Understanding Special Education in Illinois**
  Parent Handbooks are available in Spanish and English
  http://www.isbe.net/spec-ed/html/parent_rights.htm

- **Promising Practices in Developmental Screening by the Consortium for Community Systems Development**
  http://iafc.convio.net/site/DocServer/CCSD_Developmental_Screening_April_2014_FINAL.pdf?docID=6601

- **Snapshots: Incorporating Developmental Screening into Programs and Services for Young Children**
  http://www.ounceofprevention.org/news/pdfs/snapshots.pdf
  A guide on developmental screenings for providers working with young children.

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