

Should You Be Concerned About Your Child's Development?

Most parents wonder at times if their child is growing and developing like other children. If you think that your child's growth, learning, or social skills are not the same as those of other children the same age, the sooner you check it out the better.

Call *Early On* Michigan. We'll talk with you and refer you to an *Early On* Coordinator close to your home. Your Coordinator will help you find out if your child qualifies for free or low cost services. Your Coordinator can also give you information on things that you can do to help your baby grow and learn.

We want your baby to have a Great Start in life.

Call us.

We're here to help.

Each baby goes through developmental stages. Here are some tips to help you decide if you should ask for help.

By 3 Months Does your baby...

- roll from side to side?
- play with her hands?
- laugh out loud?
- smile when talked to?
- show interest in faces?

By 6 Months Does your baby...

- sit up with little support?
- roll over?
- pass things from one hand to the other?
- like to be touched and held?
- listen and respond when spoken to?

By 12 Months Does your baby...

- stand alone for at least two seconds?
- drink from a cup with help?
- wave good bye?
- use a few short words like "mama"?
- sleep through the night?
- play games with you like "peek-a-boo"?

By 24 Months Does your toddler...

- walk and run well?
- ask for things by name?
- use two or three words together?
- handle a spoon well?
- get along with other children?

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Helping Babies and Toddlers Grow and Learn

The first few years of a baby's life are very important, but babies grow and learn at different rates. If you have questions about how your child is developing, or if you think that your child might need extra help, call *Early On* Michigan.

Early On helps families get the help they need for their children. We believe that parents know what is best for their families. At *Early On* we listen to you. You will find friendly, supportive and knowledgeable people who will talk to you about your concerns. Sometimes we will arrange a free evaluation. If the evaluation shows that your child needs help, we'll tell you how to get that help at little or no cost.

Call 1-800-EARLY ON (327-9566) for free information about your child's development and *Early On* services, or visit us on the web at www.1800EarlyOn.org. We'll help you help your baby.

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