

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW

Developmental screeners are brief tools (take 30 minutes or less to complete) that examine one or more areas of a child's development to determine if a child is developing as expected, or if there is a cause for concern. After a concern is identified, formal developmental evaluation(s) is required to confirm the concern and determine the extent of delay.

Child care providers can do developmental screenings in their child care program, or refer families for developmental screening from other programs or agencies. Every child, birth to five years of age, should receive a developmental screening at 9, 18, 24, 30, 42 and 54 months, and anytime there is a concern.

Developmental screenings can assist child care providers with:

- Identifying developmental concerns
- Referring children and families to the right services
- Supporting children's development and learning



DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING RESOURCES

Developmental Milestones/Idaho Infant Toddler Program

FREE developmental screening and early intervention services for children ages birth to 3
www.infanttoddler.idaho.gov

School District

FREE developmental screenings and early childhood special education services for children ages 3 and older
www.idaho.gov/education/dist.html

Learn the Signs. Act Early.

FREE tools for tracking development
www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/actearly

Birth to 5: Watch Me Thrive!

FREE developmental screening tools and resources
www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ecd/child-health-development/watch-me-thrive

Watch Me! Celebrating Milestones and Sharing Concerns

FREE 1-hour IdahoSTARS approved training
www.idahostars.org/?q=distance-learning



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A Guide for Idaho Child Care Providers





CONDUCT SCREENINGS AT YOUR CHILD CARE PROGRAM



Child care providers play an important role in supporting and monitoring children's development

Step 1:

Review the list of resources on the back of this brochure

Step 2:

Identify your local resources and partners for developmental screening

Step 3:

For training on developmental screening and onsite support, contact your local Child Care Resource Center by calling 2-1-1

REFERRING CHILDREN FOR A DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING



AGES BIRTH-3

Step 1:

Share information with families on FREE developmental screenings offered through Developmental Milestones

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Children/InfantToddlerProgram/DevelopmentalMilestones>

Step 2:

If needed, assist family with completing and submitting screening questionnaire(s)

Step 3:

Follow up with the family regarding screening results



AGES 3 & OLDER

Step 1:

Contact your local school district for information on FREE developmental screenings for children 3 years and older or share information with families on FREE developmental screenings offered through Developmental Milestones

<http://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Children/InfantToddlerProgram/DevelopmentalMilestones>

Step 2:

Share school district developmental screening information with families

If needed, assist family with completing and submitting screening questionnaire(s)

Step 3:

Follow up with the family regarding screening results

