

# Birth to Three Updates



# NO OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS FOR FAMILIES

Birth to Three has new updates that make it easier for families to access these important supports.

## Fee Updates

Birth to Three has no out-of-pocket costs for families!  
The following supports are available:

- ◆ Developmental evaluations and assessments
- ◆ Individualized Family Service Plans
- ◆ Service coordination
- ◆ Early Intervention Service and Supports (EIS) visits to home and community locations
- ◆ Help planning transition to preschool special education or other community settings

Birth to Three supports are funded by Connecticut and federal budget allocations, as well as commercial insurance. Other than regular insurance premiums, there will be no cost to families for EIS.

## What is Birth To Three

Connecticut's Birth to Three System supports families to enhance their child's development through everyday learning opportunities and connect with their community.

Birth to Three's mission is to strengthen the abilities of families to meet the developmental and health-related needs of their infants and toddlers who have delays or disabilities.

## Why Birth To Three

Early intervention for a delay or disability can make a world of difference for children!

The five areas of development Birth to Three can assist with include:



Physical development (vision, hearing, movement, and health)



Communication skills (pointing, understanding your words, expressing thoughts)



Adaptive or self-help skills (feeding and dressing)



Cognitive skills (thinking, learning, and reasoning)



Social-emotional development (getting along with others, expressing feelings, developing relationships)

Parents, health care providers, and other caregivers or loved ones may be interested in a Birth to Three evaluation for the child in their care if they show concerns in one or more of these areas.

## Who Can Access Services

Families often get referred to Birth to Three through their health care or child care provider; but all Connecticut families (parents, guardians, foster parents, relatives, friends) can call 2-1-1 to request an evaluation if they have a concern about their child's development.



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