



Early Intervention Providers'

Principles of High-Quality &

Evidence-Based Services

How well do you adhere to the evidence-based early intervention practices recommended by professional associations and national standards?

References:

- DEC Recommended Practices (DEC RP)
- EI/ECSE Standards
- Mission and Key Principles for Providing Early Intervention Services

1. Learning Happens in Everyday Moments

- Support caregivers to use on their existing belongings and routines.
- Help families turn their daily activities into learning opportunities.

2. Every Family Is Capable

- Identify family's strengths and get curious about them.
- Support parents to build their self-efficacy by accessing community resources (books, transportation, etc.) themselves.

3. Providers Support Adults Who Support The Child

- Build trust and partnership with caregivers that avoids dependency.
- Focus the visit on the parent-child interaction and coach from the sidelines.

4. Flex with Families

- Adapt your schedule and treatment to family routines, beliefs, and changes.
- Visit during naturally occurring family activities and routines (meals, bedtime).

5. Make Goals Meaningful to Families

- Focus on helping families make routines easier (bedtime, meals, etc.).

- Listen to families define their goals and success, instead of developmental norms and tests.

6. Team Around One Trusted Provider

- Consolidate visits to one leading primary provider.
- Consult with other expert providers behind the scene.

7. Base What You Do on Evidence and Values

- Stay updated on new evidence and approaches.
- Reflect on, accept, and acknowledge your own values and biases.