



Monitoring High-Quality Early Intervention

The American Academy of Pediatrics position on early intervention encourages pediatricians to refer families for evidence-based family-centered services and monitor the outcomes. When services are evidence-based and family-centered, physician's might hear parents say...

"Our provider comes to us...at home, at the store, or at church!"

AAP Stance: Learning happens in a family's everyday contexts.

"Our provider shows me how to teach my child new things!"

AAP Stance: Services focus on building the parent's capacity.

"Our provider really understands me and our family's situation."

AAP Stance: Providers individualize services to meet the family's priorities and values.

"Our provider flexes around our schedule!"

AAP Stance: Providers schedule visits during times families need help.

"Mealtime, bedtime, diaper changes, etc. used to be so hard! Our provider helped us make them easier."

AAP Stance: Services are working and improving everyday life.

"We have one regular provider and the other people on the team come when we need them."

AAP Stance: The service delivery team is coordinated and efficient.

"The research says natural environments are best for toddlers' learning, and we agree!"

AAP Stance: Providers teach families the benefits of interest-based natural learning.