

resources for children with no specific concerns

RESOURCES	UNDER 3 YEARS OLD	3 YEARS & OLDER	USEFUL RESOURCES AND TIPS FOR SUCCESS WITH REFERRALS FOR SERVICES
<p>Within Pediatric Office/Clinic</p> <p>Anticipatory Guidance</p> <p>Plan for next screening (next regularly scheduled screening date or earlier)</p>	<p>Provide educational materials in family’s first language if possible. PEDS and ASQ-3 have many developmental hand-outs in their kits.</p>		<p>Local county First 5 programs (www.f5ac.org) are great referrals for family/child with or without concerns. Public Health Nursing also may be useful where health concerns require follow-up.</p>
<p>Child Care Referrals</p> <p>Listings of child care and preschool programs as well as subsidy information.</p> <p>www.rrnetworks.org</p>	<p>Early Head Start (EHS) provides health care, nutrition services, culturally-competent education and social services to low-income pregnant women and families with infant/toddler up to age 3. Eligibility criteria and priorities may vary slightly.</p>	<p>Head Start (HS) is similar to Early Head Start. Children 3-6 years must also be from families who meet federal poverty guidelines and 10% of enrollment must be offered to children with disabilities.</p>	<p>Local child care resource and referral agencies exist in every county and provide access to EHS and HS. Early Head Start National Resource Center (www.ehsnrc.org) is a valuable resource for materials relating to children Birth to Three, including the excellent publication of the same name and conference information.</p>
<p>Family Resource Centers, Family Empowerment Centers and Other Family Support Organizations</p> <p>For language access issues, borderline concerns and screenings of concern.</p>	<p>Agencies such as Family Resource Centers, Family Empowerment Centers, and other family support organizations may assist families to access:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Intervention and Prevention Program services (for children aged 0-3) • Special education services (for children aged 3-22) • Parent-to-parent support • Transition assistance • Information and referral • General system navigation. <p>Every county in the state is served by an Early Start Family Resource Center for families and professionals working with infants and toddlers aged 0-3 who have or are at risk for developmental delay; many of these centers also offer services to families of children over age 3. Family Empowerment Centers serve families and professionals working with children aged 3-22 who require special education services.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Resource Centers Network of CA (www.frcnca.org) can assist in locating local family resources centers. • California Association of Family Empowerment Centers (www.cafec.org) can assist in locating local Family Empowerment Centers. • Family Voices of CA (www.familyvoicesofca.org) and Family Resource Centers Network of CA (www.frcnca.org) serve families of children with special needs and/or chronic health conditions. The site lists local resource centers and has extensive listings of generic resources for families that are culturally appropriate and available in multiple languages.
<p>Other Generic Resources</p>	<p>211, available in the state’s most populous counties, may be a good source for generic resources in the child’s community. There are easily accessible toll-free numbers for WIC, the local child care resource and referral agency, and other important resources.</p>		<p>Information about local 211 programs is available at: http://www.state.ca.us/211directory.html</p>