



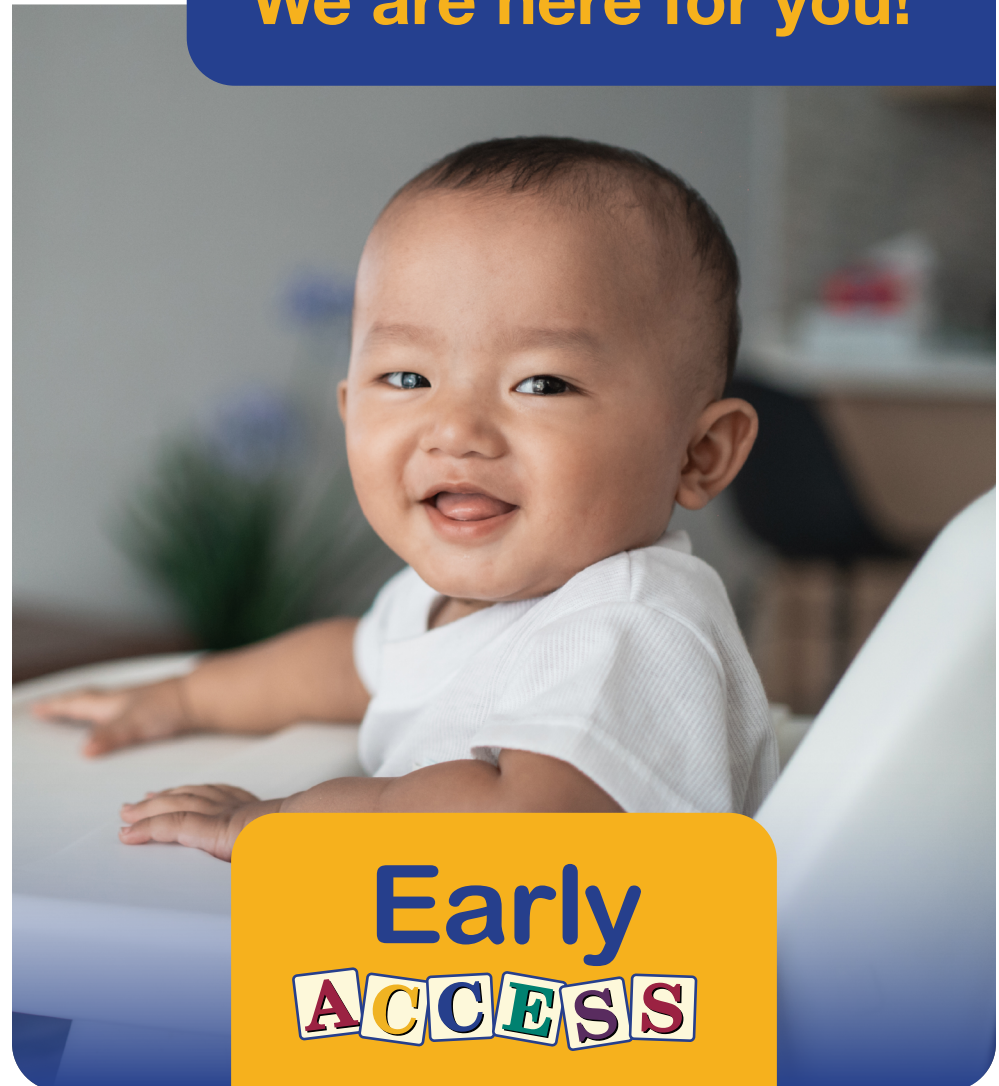
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Do you have concerns about your child's development?

**We are here for you!**



**Early ACCESS** provides early intervention services to eligible children ages 0-36 months at no cost to families.



### By 4 months

**Your baby may:**

- Smile spontaneously at people
- Mimic facial expressions
- Babble or copy sounds
- Show emotion
- Watch moving objects
- Hold their head steady
- Reach for objects

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### By 6 months

**Your baby may:**

- Prefer familiar faces over strangers
- Respond to their name
- Make sounds to show feelings
- Show curiosity
- Bring items to their mouth
- Roll over
- Sit without support

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### By 12 months

**Your baby may:**

- Cry when caregivers leave
- Be shy around strangers
- Try to say words
- Use simple gestures for “no” or “bye-bye”
- Drink from a cup
- Follow simple directions
- Get to a sitting position without help
- Pull up to standing position

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### By 18 months

**Your baby may:**

- Use their index finger to point to things
- Hand items to others
- Say several single words
- Shake head and say “no”
- Follow 1-step directions
- Engage in pretend play
- Walk without help
- Eat with a spoon

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### By 24 months

**Your baby may:**

- Get excited with other children
- Show independence
- Use sentences with 2-4 words
- Point to items/pictures when named
- Play simple make-believe games
- Look for hidden objects
- Run and climb
- Play with a ball

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- Talking**
- Moving**
- Seeing**
- Hearing**
- Listening**
- Thinking**
- Eating**
- Playing**