Children's Services

Homestart Early Intervention Program

Providing services and support for children with special needs, and their families.

The early years of a child’s life are a significant period of growth and learning. As infants become more aware of their world, they begin to explore, reach out, and communicate with others. During this time, infants and toddlers who have a developmental delay or are “at risk” for a delay need extra help to reach their full potential.

Homestart also accepts private pay clients as well as insurance from Aetna, Blue Cross, and Cigna.

HOMESTART SERVES CHILDREN WITH:

• Social emotional delays
• Cognitive delays
• Neurological disorders
• Genetic disorders
• Motor or speech delays
• Feeding difficulties/failure to thrive
• Medically fragile
• Prematurity/low birth weight

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:

Evaluation services are available to children with special needs who may be eligible for early intervention services. Contact your local Regional Center for further information regarding eligibility or visit HopeServices.org/Homestart for Regional Center information.
SERVICES AND SUPPORT:
As a team, we establish realistic goals for each child. An individualized plan is created for your family involving fun, practical, stimulating activities appropriate for the child—all in the child’s most comfortable environment, be it the family home, primary day care, or other location.

Every six months assessments are conducted to determine the child’s developmental progress. Strengths and areas of need are documented and new goals are set by our multidisciplinary team including parents and caregivers.

Developmental assessments include cognitive, language, gross and fine motor skills, social/emotional health, self-help skills, and sensory processing abilities.

SERVICES INCLUDE:
- Comprehensive developmental assessment reports
- Ongoing developmental monitoring
- Direct, hands-on intervention activities
- Family or caregiver training and education
- Community resource information and referrals
- Emotional support and counseling
- Spanish interpreters
- Nutrition consultation
- Infant massage instruction
- Group activities for families to meet and connect with others

HOMESTART TEAM:
Our highly trained professionals are experienced and committed. They understand the joys and challenges of parenting a child with special needs. Using a multidisciplinary team approach, our goal is to help children reach their fullest potential while supporting and empowering parents in their roles as caregivers and teachers of their children.

THE HOPE SERVICES MISSION:
Hope Services’ mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities, as measured by eight indicators: personal development, self-determination, interpersonal relations, social inclusion, rights, emotional well-being, physical well-being, and material well-being.

DONATE TO HOPE:
Hope is partially funded by the state and relies on donations to fund its services and create employment opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities.

If you’d like to donate to Hope and help fill the funding gap, visit www.HopeServices.org or call 408-284-2862.