



We are a public program funded through state and federal special education funds. Services are provided at no charge to eligible families in Alameda County.

What do Infant Development Specialists do?

- We work together with families and caregivers, as a team.
- Our job is to support you around your concerns about your child's developmental delays.
- We provide specialized instruction and look at all areas of development (cognition, motor, speech, social, and self-care) and how each area impacts other areas.
- We will help you find information about your child's specific needs, about services and equipment that might help your child, and provide you with information and strategies about what you can do with your child to help him develop.
- We will regularly monitor your child's development and share these findings with you.
- We will work with you to set goals that are important to your family and are related to your child's developmental needs.
- Because young children learn through play and when adults take care of them, we will talk with you about ways you can help teach your child within your everyday activities.
- We provide opportunities for parents of kids with special needs to connect with other parents of kids with special needs.
- We will collaborate with your child's other service providers.

Infant & Family Support Program Services:

- Weekly visits in the child's home, childcare setting, or community
 - We ask that you block out the time that we are visiting together.
- Weekly play groups
- Connection to parent-to-parent support groups
- Community outings
- Collaboration with other agencies and specialists working with your child
- Consultation with nurse, occupational therapist, or speech-language pathologist, as needed
- Transition support as child approaches three years of age or no longer requires specialized instruction