

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR EHS HOME VISITING PROGRAM?

- Pregnant women
- Pregnant women under the age of 21
- Children between birth to 30 months
- Children with disabilities
- Families that meet the Federal Poverty Guidelines or are eligible for TANF or SSI.
- Homeless children, foster children and pregnant women under the age of 18 are categorically eligible
- Pregnant women who are homeless

Note: Pregnant women and children from families exceeding income guidelines may be eligible based on their needs.

WHAT CAN WE OFFER YOUR FAMILY?

- Education for pregnant women, infants, toddlers and their families
- Comprehensive health and nutrition care
- Weekly 90-minute home visits that focus on your child's individual needs and development
- Twice a month socialization opportunities with other parents and their children
- Opportunities for parents to learn more about their child's development
- Learn and plan parent/child activities that enhance child's growth
- Parent workshops designed to enhance parenting skills
- On-going services for families of infants and toddlers with special needs
- Mental health services for families



OPENING DOORS. CREATING OPPORTUNITIES.

WHERE IS THE HOME VISITING PROGRAM AVAILABLE?

Rusk, Taylor, Clark, Sawyer, and Washburn counties

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ICAA, INC. FAMILY FOUNDATIONS HOME VISITING PROGRAM



GIVE YOUR CHILD A HEAD START... AT HOME!

WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE THE FAMILY FOUNDATIONS HOME VISITING PROGRAM?

Participants receive Early Head Start (EHS) services right in their own home!

A Home Visitor will come once a week for a minimum of 90 minutes throughout your pregnancy and continue to visit until your child is 3 years old. Together, you will watch, plan and discuss an individualized plan for your child's development that will include ways to help your child learn using families' interactions, daily routines, and common household materials. Twice a month a small group of children, families, and their Home Visitors get together in groups to learn from each other and to share successes and work on common developmental goals, these gatherings are called Socializations.

Families partnering with the Home Visiting Program will have the opportunity to receive comprehensive services from a number of professional providers such as, health and nutrition, education, disability services, and early intervention.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT DURING A HOME VISIT

The main focus of home visits is your child's development. During each visit an activity or experience will be presented for you and your child to enjoy together. The following are a few more things to expect:

- Talking about what happened during the week
- Reviewing plans for the current week's activity or experience
- Carrying out the activity or experience
- Talking about how goals are progressing
- Making a plan for the next visit
- Sharing information about the program and community activities

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT DURING A SOCIALIZATION

Socializations are a time when you, your child, and other parents and their children come together. These are opportunities to build on the goals you set during your home visits. What happens at socializations may vary. Your Home Visitor will be there doing group activities with you and your child. These activities will give you the chance to learn more about how your child gets to know and plays with other children. You will also be able to see how the staff person guides children's behaviors (for example, by giving them choices), and you will get ideas that you can try at home. Sometimes you and other parents will be invited to lead activities. At other times you and other parents may have a group discussion.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

HEALTH AND NUTRITION

EHS Home Visiting Program helps families to assure that healthcare needs (prenatal, medical & dental) are being met by providing the information and the tools necessary to partner with their health care providers.

Home Visitors work with pregnant caregivers to ensure that they are receiving complete prenatal care. After the child is born, Home Visitors work with families to ensure that their child is receiving complete physical and dental exams with follow-up work if necessary. Children and families also receive information to assist them in meeting their family's nutritional needs.

EARLY INTERVENTION

Early intervention for an infant or toddler with a diagnosed disability or delay can make all the difference in his/her development. Early Intervention provides services and support that promote the best possible outcomes for the child. The EHS Home Visitors encourage parents to be advocates on behalf of their child for any services needed.

SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Information is available on children's developmental stages and the experiences that can support their developing skills such as self-regulation, problem-solving, and the capacity to use language for expression of feelings and ideas.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

EHS Home Visiting Program provide services to support and strengthen the relationship between infants/toddlers and their parents. These relationships are the foundations for positive social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development.

