

Many health care providers conduct developmental screenings. Ask your child's provider to do one. Most insurance plans will cover one developmental screening per year.

Ask your child care or preschool provider to complete one.

Call ESIT to have one mailed to you for free.

Complete a screening online for free at Helpmegrowwa.org

Print one free to complete at home at <http://www.theswyc.org/>

Make an appointment with your child's health care provider to talk about the screening results and what steps to take next.

What is a developmental screening looking for?

Developmental screening looks for strengths and concerns in your child's ability to: learn, move, see and hear; understand language and express needs; dress, eat and take care of their needs; and how she relates with others.

My child did not pass the screening !

What Next?

Don't wait! Notify your child's health care provider right away!

Your child will be referred to ESIT for a more in depth assessment to determine what intervention services are needed. These services may include speech, occupational, physical, vision and/or behavioral therapies.

My child is over 36 months?

Contact your local school district Special Services Department or ESD 123 at 509-547-8441

District:	Phone
Pasco	509-543-6703
Kennewick	509-222-5028
Richland	509-967-6050
Patterson	209-875-2601
Kiona/Benton	509-588-2024
N. Franklin	509-234-9218
Kahlotus	509-282-3338
Prosser	509-786-1820
Finley	509-586-3217

For more information please go to:

<http://www.bfhd.wa.gov/ph/uds.php>

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Developmental and Early Intervention Services For Children and Families in Benton & Franklin Counties, WA

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DEVELOPMENTAL AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES Benton & Franklin Counties, WA

Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) 509-783-1131

Birth up to 36 months



WHY SCREEN?

A developmental screening is a simple questionnaire to determine if your child is developing on track, or if she may have a delay. Developmental screening can be completed by parents, health or child care providers, teachers, or anyone who is familiar with the child.

What is a
developmental
Screening?

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that **every child** be screened for development at 9, 18, and 24/30 months **and anytime there is concern from a parent or a provider**. Repeated screening ensures that delays in development, even slight ones, will be caught early, enabling your child to get the help he needs.

My child seems fine, why do I need to have her screened.

Developmental delays can be very difficult to detect early on, even by parents and trained health care providers!

By the time a developmental delay becomes “noticeable” critical time for early intervention has already been missed

Regular screening at 9, 18, & 24/30 months ensures that if your child has a delay, even a slight one, she can get the early help she needs to get back on track.

Getting development back on track sooner can make a big difference to your child’s overall development and future success.

Where can I get a
developmental screening
for my child?

Children over 36 months are referred to their local school district