# TRANSITION

# Early Intervention to Preschool



# **Preparing for Transition**

Starting around a child's second birthday, the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) team, which includes the parent/guardian, will meet. They will plan for transitioning your child from Early Intervention services to Special Education Preschool Services if eligible or other appropriate services.





#### **Transition Process**

Between 9 to 3 months before your child's third birthday, transition planning begins. It is a transition conference with you and your child's providers where you can discuss your concerns and priorities. You can also ask about available services.

## **Initial Preschool Referral Meeting**

Within 3 months of your child's third birthday, a referral meeting will be held to determine if an evaluation is needed. Parents will discuss their child's strengths and areas of concerns. The team will determine which evaluations are necessary, and parents will be asked to sign a consent form for testing.





## **Eligibility and IEP Meeting**

The team will meet and review the evaluation results to determine if a child qualifies for special education services. If a child qualifies, the team will develop an **Individualized Education Program** (IEP) that has been designed to meet that child's unique needs. Parents will be asked to sign a consent to receive for services.





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