# Early Intervention Colorado Fact Sheet



The Early Intervention (EI) Colorado program provides supports and services to children birth through two years of age who have developmental delays or disabilities and their families. It is a voluntary program and does not discriminate based on race, culture, religion, income level or disability.

### Services for Infants, Toddlers and their Families through El Colorado

El Colorado contracts with 20 Community Centered Boards to provide early intervention services and service coordination.

Services are provided in collaboration with parents and provided in the child's natural environments such as the child's home, the child care, or community settings.

Services are designed to meet the developmental needs of an infant or toddler and the needs of the family to assist in their child's development in one or more of the following areas:

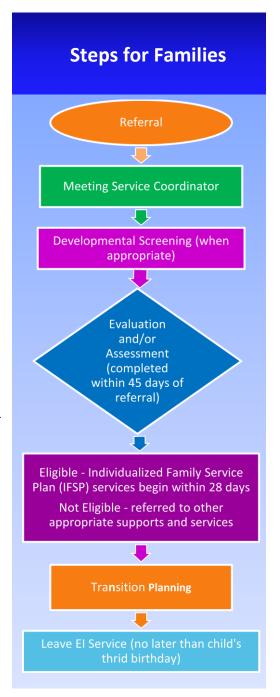
- Adaptive development
- Cognitive development
- Communication development
- Physical development, including hearing and vision
- Social and emotional development

Services are provided at no cost to families and are funded through a Coordinated System of Payment using a funding hierarchy that includes;

- Private Health Insurance
- Medicaid
- Local funds
- State General Fund
- Federal Part C of IDEA

## Key Results (FY 2012-2013)

- 12,032 infants and toddlers received early intervention services
- 98.94% of the children referred, evaluated, and found eligible had a service plan developed in a timely manner (defined as within 45 calendar days from referral) and 97.49% of early intervention services were initiated within the required 28 calendar days
- The following percentages indicate that families who participated in early intervention services reported that services helped their family:
  - Know their rights (92%)
  - Effectively communicate their children's needs (94%)
  - Help their children develop and learn (95%)
- 99% of children enrolled in early intervention services made progress in each of the three measured outcome areas: social emotional functioning, use of knowledge and skills, use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.







# **Local Program Contact Information**

Community Centered Board	Counties Served	Program Contact Phone Number
Blue Peaks Developmental Services	Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande, Saguache	719-589-5135 Ext 220
Colorado Bluesky Enterprises	Pueblo	719-542-6701
Community Connections	Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, Montezuma, San Juan	970-385-3498
Community Options	Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, San Miguel	970-249-1412 Ext 212
Developmental Disabilities Resource Center	Clear Creek, Gilpin, Jefferson, Summit	303-462-6655
Developmental Pathways	Arapahoe, Douglas	303-858-2112
Eastern Colorado Services	Cheyenne, Elbert, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Logan, Morgan, Phillips, Sedgwick, Washington, Yuma	970-526-3623 Ext 303
Envision	Weld	970-313-2655
Foothills Gateway	Larimer	970-266-5424
Horizons Specialized Services	Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco, Routt	970-871-8558
Imagine!	Boulder, Broomfield	303-457-5650
Inspiration Field	Bent (Western), Crowley, Otero	719-384-8741 Ext 123
Mountain Valley Developmental Services	Eagle, Garfield, Lake, Pitkin	970-945-2306
North Metro Community Services	Adams	303-252-7199
Rocky Mountain Human Services	Denver	303-636-3826
Southeastern Developmental Services	Baca, Bent (Eastern), Kiowa, Prowers	719-336-3244 Ext 11
Southern Colorado Developmental Disabilities Services	Huerfano, Las Animas	719-846-4400
Starpoint	Chafee, Custer, Fremont	719-275-0550
Strive	Mesa	970-644-1564
The Resource Exchange	El Paso, Park, Teller	719-785-3760

#### Information about El Colorado

Additional information can be found at the EI Colorado website including referral and local contact information, public awareness brochures and guidebooks, videos for families and professionals, forms used in early intervention programs, policies and procedures, and training information and event opportunities at <a href="https://www.eicolorado.org">www.eicolorado.org</a>. For more information about EI Colorado please contact Program Manager, Ardith Ferguson at <a href="https://www.eicolorado.org">Ardith.Ferguson@state.co.us</a> or 303-866-5468.



