## EARLY INTERVENTION CONNECTIONS COMMITTEES

#### Membership

Responsible for recruitment of members and planning for EIC meetings. This group also collaborates with other committees to disseminate information important to the early learning community, as well as upcoming events, workshops and celebrations.

#### Solutions Across Systems

Focuses on the efforts of OCDEL to develop a cohesive early intervention system (birth through the age of beginners) by implementing best practices at the local level. Will address issues and changes to send consistent information and messages to families, providers and agencies.

#### Family and Professional Networking

Will look at ways to include and engage families and professionals in the EIC as well as creating networking and training opportunities for them.

#### **Child Find Committee**

Provides information and outreach to primary referral sources. Actively identifying new referral sources.

#### Children's Social-Emotional Development

Working to improve the understanding of social-emotional learning and positive parentchild relationships across families, EI professionals and community partners.

## To receive EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

If you suspect that your child is not hearing, seeing, talking, moving or learning like other children or you want more information about the early intervention services in your area, contact:

#### **Cumberland/Perry Counties**

717.240.6325 or 888 697 0371 x 6325

#### **Dauphin County**

717.441.7034 or 866.820.3516

#### Capital Area Intermediate Unit

717.732.8400 or 800.244.2425 (Age 3 to school age)

For information about the EIC contact the Professional Co-Chair, Amy Reed, at 717-240-6320 or Parent Co Chair Chou Gabikiny at chou.gabikiny@gmail.com

# EARLY INTERVENTION CONNECTIONS



The Local Interagency Coordinating Council for Early Intervention

Supporting Children and Families in Cumberland, Dauphin, Perry and Northern York Counties

Connect with us on Face Book!



### What is Early Intervention Connections?

It is the name of the capital area's Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC) focused on families using Infant/ Toddler and Preschool early intervention services. We are a group of parents, professionals and other community members who care about young children with special needs and their families. We are working to ensure quality early intervention services in our community.

#### What does EIC do?

- Provides an opportunity for families and professionals to meet, talk and form partnerships.
- Provides families with an opportunity to meet each other and be involved in the decisions affecting local services.
- Provides families and professionals with information about early intervention, community resources and other community activities.

#### What is Early Intervention?

Early Intervention (EI) services in Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry and Northern York Counties are provided through a variety of supports and services. They are designed to help families identify existing and new activities that can help their children learn and grow. Through early intervention, families can receive information, support and services, so that families can better assist their child in playing, learning and growing.

#### Who should be involved?

- Parents/Grandparents/Caregivers
- Community child care professionals
- Health care professionals
- Early intervention professionals
- School district personnel



#### Why should I get involved?

Family and professional involvement is essential. Our community is diverse and we need the input and support of many to provide quality services to young children with disabilities and delays and their families.

#### Parent/Caregiver benefits:

- INFORMATION!! Meet people, learn about resources, share your knowledge, and build your leadership/advocacy skills.
- Scholarships to attend statewide conferences or trainings.
- Opportunities to assist with the planning and presentation of information important to you and other families.

Child Care: Families can request onsite child care to attend quarterly EIC meetings by contacting Amy Reed at 240-6320. Requests must be made at least 3 days in advance of the meeting date, and are subject to sitter availability. Child Care for other EI activities will be specifically advertised with RSVP information listed on event fliers and meeting notices.