

Early Intervention Day Treatment

What is EIDT?



Early Intervention Day Treatment (EIDT) offers evaluation as well as therapeutic, developmental, and preventative services provided by a licensed pediatric day treatment clinic that is run by early childhood specialists.

Early Intervention day treatment is available year-round to children aged 0-6 and in the summer months for children aged 6-21.

In order to receive EIDT services, a child must:

- get Medicaid
- have a documented developmental disability or delay, as shown on the results of an annual comprehensive developmental evaluation that shows:
 - For ages 0-36 months, a score of 25% or greater delay in at least two areas: motor, social, cognitive, self-help/adaptive, or communication
 - For ages 3-6, a score of at least two standard deviations below the mean in at least two areas: motor, social, cognitive, self-help/adaptive, or communication on the Battelle Developmental Inventory test (BDI) and 25% or greater delay on the criterion referenced test
 - The same two areas of delay on both the BDI and the criterion referenced test.
- have a documented need for at least one of the following, as shown on a full evaluation for that service:
 - Physical therapy, Occupational therapy, speech therapy, or nursing services
- have a written prescription from a physician, valid for one year
- be provided as written in an individual program plan (IPP)



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Early intervention day treatment includes diagnostic, screening, evaluation, preventive, therapeutic, palliative, rehabilitative and habilitative services, including speech, occupational, and physical therapies and any medical or remedial services recommended by a physician to improve or maintain the client's condition.

Each client who enters the EIDT Program will have a written individual treatment plan (ITP) developed from evaluations, and services provided must be based on the goals and objectives of the client's ITP.

- Habilitative services are instruction in areas of cognition, communication, social/emotional, motor, and adaptive, including self-care; or to reinforce skills learned and practiced in occupational, physical or speech therapy. Habilitative Services may be provided to a child before they reach school age, including children who are aged 5-6, if the kindergarten year has been waived. Beneficiaries aged 6-21 may receive day habilitative services during the months of May, June, July, and August, when school is not in session.
- Nursing services are available for clients who are medically fragile, have complex health needs, or both, if prescribed by the client's physician.
- The EIDT client's primary care physician (PCP) or attending physician must refer a client for assessment for occupational, physical or speech therapy services.