Your child may be eligible if the answer to each of the following questions is yes:

• Is your child currently between birth and 3 years old and has been referred to or is receiving Children’s Integrated Services-Early Intervention (CIS-EI)?
• Does your child have a complex profile of medical and/or developmental needs that significantly impacts participation in daily activities and routines?
• Does your child require significant individualized supports to access her/his home and community environment?

Who will benefit from VT I-Team Early Intervention Project services?

We provide support and information in the following areas:

• Communication
• Bonding and Attachment
• Transition from Hospital to Home Environments
• Risk Factors of Vision and Hearing Losses
• Motor Development
• Feeding
• Early Literacy
• Early Play Skills
• Community Activities for Infants and Toddlers

Why is early intervention important for infants and toddlers with complex needs?

During the first three years of your child’s life, critical development occurs in the areas of movement, communication, sensory exploration, social interaction and bonding. For a child with complex and intensive needs, specialized supports can be critical in nurturing developmental progress.

Who are the Vermont I-Team Early Intervention personnel?

We are a team of consultants with many years of experience supporting infants and toddlers with complex needs in home, hospital, child care, preschool and other community settings. We provide training, consultation and resources to families and other early intervention One Plan team members across Vermont.

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How can the VT I-Team Early Intervention Project be a resource for you and your child’s team?

- Help your child access home and community environments
- Access additional resources and/or adaptive equipment
- Develop and/or adapt materials that meet your child’s developmental needs
- Learn useful strategies and interventions
- Identify risk factors that may point to the need for additional referrals

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