



Provider Introduction to The Early Years Project



Introduction

The Early Years Project is a free online toolkit with easy-to-follow videos, activities, and resources to foster sensory development in the 4 developmental domains (Hearing, Vision, Communication, Language) for children ages Birth-6. The Early Years Project is designed to supplement home visiting & early education programs.

These self-guided materials help parents learn more about specific areas to address potential concerns. Providers can access these materials and activities to inform and engage families during or in between sessions.



Implementation



In this section is general information about The Early Years, along with the introduction and conclusion videos. There is a survey for both parents and providers after using the materials.



Learning



The Early Years Project has 4 domains:

- Hearing
- Communication
- Vision
- Language

Each domain has an introduction video and an in-depth video (coming soon) under the learning tab.



Resources



The resources section provides handouts and website links to relevant content.

Activities

This section has simulation activities, to provide caregivers and professionals with a deeper understanding of what it may be like for a child with difficulties in the 4 domains. Additionally, the activities section provides activities caregivers can implement to foster development in each domain. All of the activities are organized by domain, however, many activities are helpful to more than one domain. We use icons, for easy identification of the associated domains.

Don't forget the survey!



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