

Early DISCOVERY

Contact Form

If you are interested in possibly receiving services through the Early Discovery Service Partnership and would like further information, please complete the form and email it to kpena@med.miami.edu or call 305-243-4617.

I am concerned with my child's...

- Speech/Language
- Behavior
- Fine or Gross Motors Skills
- Overall Development

My child has been evaluated by...

- Early Steps
- FDLRS
- Miami-Dade County Public Schools
- Other (_____)

I am interested in receiving services at...

- Home
- Child Care Center / Pre-School
- Other

My child was found to have...

- No delays
- Some delays
- Significant delays

I would like to know...

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

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SPEECH THERAPY

BEHAVIOR THERAPY

DEVELOPMENTAL THERAPY

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

*"Giving children what they
need to reach and maximize
their potential"*

by YOUNG CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES COUNCIL

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The mission of the *Early DISCOVERY* Service Partnership is to build a system of care that will reduce the number of young children needing developmental intervention services by the time they begin Kindergarten.

Dear Families,

The *Early DISCOVERY* Service Partnership would like to encourage you to take part in our special program.

We know that the early discovery of a child having difficulties with behavior, speech/language, or other aspects of a child's development is very important to the entire family.

The *Early DISCOVERY* program is designed to serve children such as your own—Children who are identified by a team of health care professionals as potentially benefiting from intervention services, but who do not qualify for services through **Early Steps or Miami-Dade County Public Schools**.

Through the *Early DISCOVERY* program, qualified professionals work with children, teachers, and family members to help the child reach and maximize his/her full potential.

Please take advantage of this opportunity. For further information or to speak with an *Early DISCOVERY* Coordinator, please call:

(305) 243-4617.

Early DISCOVERY Services

Intervention services are offered for children ages 0-5, at a minimal cost to the family (based on income). These services are based on an Individualized Intervention Plan that addresses the specific needs of the child and is developed by the family and the Care Coordinator.

Care Coordination Services

A Care Coordinator is assigned to each family to assist with accessing services. Once your child has been identified as eligible for the *Early DISCOVERY* program, a Care Coordinator will contact you to begin the enrolment process. Your Care Coordinator will be available to assist you with accessing community support, resources, and/or other information that you may need.

Family Involvement

Your involvement in your child's intervention is very important. You will receive Progress Notes detailing ideas and/or activities, suggested by your child's therapist, to assist you and your family in addressing your child's needs and advancing his/her progress.

Early DISCOVERY Partners

All services through the *Early DISCOVERY* Service Partnership are provided by qualified professionals in the field of Education, Speech/Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Behavioral Intervention, and Developmental Intervention. These professionals will assess your child's individual needs, and develop and carry out a plan to improve your child's skills and advance his/her development.

SPEECH/LANGUAGE INTERVENTION

If your child needs help using words and sentences, and/or articulating and pronouncing words correctly to communicate he/she may need Speech/Language services. An early childhood specialist will work with your child at home, at the child care center, or at the therapist's office. Our Speech and Language providers are [FLORIDA REHAB PROFESSIONALS GROUP \(FRPG\)](#), [THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI \(UM\)](#) and [SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER \(SPEC\)](#).

BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION

If your child needs help making friends or controlling his/her emotions he/she may need Behavioral services. A behavioral specialist will work with your child at home, at the child care center, or at the therapist's office to address social-emotional needs and behavioral concerns. Our Behavior providers are [THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI \(UM\)](#) and [SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER \(SPEC\)](#).

DEVELOPMENTAL INTERVENTION

If your child is presenting with mild delays in one or more areas of development he/she may be in need of Developmental Therapy which is designed to promote a child's motor, cognitive, language, social and emotional development as well as self-help skills. A qualified developmental therapist will work with your child at home, at the child care center, or at the therapist's office to address his needs. Our Development providers are the [THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI \(UM\)](#)

OCCUPATIONAL INTERVENTION

If your child needs help picking up small objects, holding a crayon, and using his/her hands he/she may need Occupational Therapy. A therapist will work with your child to improve his or her fine motor skills at home, at the child care center, or at the therapist's office. Our OT providers are, [NEWFRONTIER THERAPY](#), [SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER \(SPEC\)](#), [THERAPY BY DESIGN \(TBD\)](#), [MY TIME](#), and [FLORIDA REHAB PROFESSIONALS GROUP \(FRPG\)](#).