
How to make a Referral?

Please complete our Team's referral form. This form must be completed in full, signed by the referrer and by the parent. In the case of twins/siblings individual referral forms are required.

A copy of our referral form can be obtained by telephoning the EIT or on the HSE's website.

<http://www.hse.ie/dublinsouthpcts/>

Please forward the completed referral for to: Referral Coordinator, Early Intervention Team, HSE, Computer House, 66 Patrick Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

What will happen after a referral has been received by our Team?

All referrals are discussed at our Team's referral meeting which occur twice monthly. Following this meeting the referrer, and the child's parents will receive a letter indicating if the child's referral has been accepted.

There can be a wait for an initial assessment. Usually our first appointment takes place in the child's home.

Getting further information?

If you would like further information on our service or are not sure whether you should make a referral to the Team, we are happy to answer any questions you may have.

Contact Details:

Early Intervention Team
Health Service Executive
Computer House
66 Patrick Street
Dun Laoghaire
Co. Dublin.

Tel: (01) 214 3905

This is a voicemail service so when you telephone our Team you will be asked to leave a message and a member of our Team will return your call as soon as possible.

Dublin South Early Intervention Team

Referrer's Leaflet

Health Service Executive



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Dublin South Early Intervention Team - Who are we?

Dublin South Early Intervention Team provides family-centered assessment and supports for young children with emerging developmental concerns who are living in the Dublin South Local Health Office.

Our core Team consists of a:

- Physiotherapist
- Social Worker
- Occupational Therapist
- Speech and Language Therapist
- Clinical Psychologist

Our Team is commonly referred to as the EIT.

Who can be referred to our Team?

The child must be less than 5 years of age on the date the referral is received by the Team.

The child must reside in the Dublin South Local Health Office catchment area which covers the communities of:

- Dun Laoghaire
- Sallynoggin
- Stillorgan
- Foxrock
- Blackrock
- Booterstown
- Monkstown
- Loughinstown/Ballybrack
- Cabinteely
- Shankill
- Dalkey
- Killiney

The child must be exhibiting delays/difficulties in more than one area of development and would benefit from support from two or more members of the clinic Team. The areas of difficulty which may be evident can include delay/difficulties in:

- Speech and Language
- Motor skills
- Social Interaction
- Learning new tasks

The child's difficulties must not be immediately identifiable as occurring within the context of a primary difficulty e.g. significant physical or learning disability. Children with such difficulties may be more appropriate to a specialist service such as Carmona, Enable Ireland or Lucena Clinic etc.

What services do we provide?

We offer assessment and a wide range of supports and services to the children and families attending our Team. These inputs include:

- Multidisciplinary Team assessments of the strengths and needs of children and their families.
- Individual interventions
- Group interventions
- Referral to Primary Care service as indicated for intervention
- Parent Programmes (e.g. EarlyBird, Hanen 'More Than Words' and Hanen 'Talkability' Parent's Plus)
- 'Supporting Your Child' series of talks.

Children are eligible for intervention until their 6th birthday.

Who can make a referral?

A referral to the Early Intervention Team can be made by a GP, physiotherapist, speech and language therapist, public health nurse, occupational therapist, social worker or any other health care professional.
