

The SoonerStart Process

REFERRAL - A referral is made to SoonerStart by the family professional or other concerned individual.

INTAKE - A resource coordinator is assigned to your family and the intake process is completed by phone (providing information to you about SoonerStart and obtaining information from you about your child's general health and development).

SCREENING and/or EVALUATION - Following the intake process, a developmental screening may be completed to determine if further evaluation/assessment (eligibility evaluation) may be necessary. An eligibility evaluation may be scheduled directly following intake (allow 2 hours).

Child does not qualify for SoonerStart - Referrals to other services are made for your child and family.

Child qualifies for SoonerStart - The Routines-Based Interview/Individualized Family Service Plan is scheduled with your family (allow 2 hours).

Routines-Based Interview (RBI) - A semistructured interview, conducted by SoonerStart staff, of at least one parent/caregiver, regarding child and family functioning in daily home and childcare routines, for the purposes of selecting a list of functional outcomes or goals for intervention and establishing a positive relationship between your family and SoonerStart.

Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) - The team will develop a plan (IFSP) that lists the outcomes or goals that result from the RBI and may also include steps and activities related to these outcomes. Family selected IFSP outcomes are designed to meet the needs of your child and family. Based on the IFSP outcomes, services will be decided at this meeting by the IFSP team which includes the family.

SERVICE DELIVERY - A primary service provider will meet with your family as often as indicated on the IFSP to work on the identified IFSP outcomes.

TRANSITION - When your child is between 27 and 33 months, the IFSP team will develop a "transition" plan to meet your child's and family's needs after the age of three.