

What about this program has been most helpful to you and your family?

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#	Responses
815	The valuable ideas for development and/or overcoming challenges. The reassurance that our kids are on track.
816	Just making sure our child is on track developmentally and having another person to ask questions to aside from the pediatrician.
817	Someone to talk to for ideas
820	It helps me a lot to know that my child is on track and gives me more confidence as a mother
821	Having someone to discuss small issues/questions with regularly. Suzanne has helped us work through SO MANY "little" behavior changes (not listening, getting up from the table, etc.) and prepare for big things (like solids, big bed, potty training). She has been an invaluable resource for our family, and I am so thankful for her!!
823	In home visit
826	Someone familiar with the resources out there to help my child.
828	Being able to talk about concerns and overall knowing whether our kiddos are on track.
831	This program has been a game changer for our first child and even our second as you forget little things that Suzanne and the information reminds me of! I don't know how we would have made it through the beginnings of parenthood without this program and highly recommend it to new parents I meet.
833	I have enjoyed getting to know our parent child educator and to have an adult focused on my child that I can go to for social, emotional, and behavioral suggestions. It's another set of eyes of my child with a different lens than the pediatrician.
840	Play centers, home visits, extra activities.
841	The handouts are great. The monthly visits are so helpful to teach me activities to help Archie's development as well as answer all my individual concerns for him. I love that she helps me work out other techniques for my parenting when we are going through stressful patches. Parenting is hard and to have an experienced professional help me I'd amazing.
842	My parent educator and the guides.
843	Receiving ideas for activities to help our child in her development. Simply having someone else to talk to about our child's development.
844	Just having someone in my corner, giving us confidence.
845	Discussing our daughters development and getting advice on handling discipline
846	The tools given for dealing with the stages of a two-year-old were life changing, as well as tools for my toddler getting acclimated to a new baby.
848	In-person visits with our PAT.
853	Just having someone with knowledge and bounce ideas and thoughts off is very helpful
879	Advice and help. I like the playdates and events
880	The development milestone checklists are helpful to reflect on our child's development. I also appreciate their insight as parents themselves with other strategies to try. I LOVE the monthly programs that offered by PAT as well as the PTA program. We try to participate in as many as we can.
897	The activities suggested and with parent educators. Someone to talk to about parenting. Playcenter and the families we've met through the program.
987	Having a trusted educator to ask questions of when they arise.
1064	It's great being able to ask developmental questions. It's a different interaction than asking my pediatrician or other moms. I really value having an educator's opinion
1072	Checking in about developmental milestones, having someone to talk to about tougher aspects of parenting (tantrums, sleep, etc.)

1108	Giving us the resources to dig into our child's development and make sure we are working towards meeting his needs. It can be easy to get caught up in the day to day (surviving) and this program allows us to step back and be more intentional with our child.
1140	Suggestions on activities that help with development.
1143	Help with finding local resources.
1167	Our educator helps answer any and all developmental questions I have and helps me problem-solve challenges! Mary Chris Blickhan is amazing and goes above and beyond.
1428	Understanding milestones and giving us creative ways to interact with and support our daughter.
1514	My parent educator has been helpful in providing advice and asking questions which help me to gage my child's developmental progress. She is never judgmental, always a good listener, and always kind.
1565	Whenever questions or concerns come up from daycare - Carrie is always able to talk me through the issue and provide guidance for the future.
1566	Parent educator home visits as a resource for all questions.
1711	Ideas of games to play to keep my child progressing towards her milestones
1754	The resources that we have been introduced to and understanding of where my child should be at each stage and things to work on until the next visit.
1762	The check ins related to my daughters development.
1763	I tell everyone how our support system looked a lot different once the pandemic was declared and we went on lockdown. It was a scary time and it helped so much to have someone checking in on us while we figure out how to raise a newborn.
1764	Meeting regularly to check in on milestones, struggles, suggestions.
1770	Love this program. Recommend it to anyone who ask. What's not to love? Loved Jennifer she made it feel like you weren't alone in the parenting game.
1773	Learning different types of play that is beneficial for the specific developmental stages my child is in.
1775	The home visits and resources.
1778	The play center and our visits with our parent educator. Life savers!!
1779	The guides and parent educators advice on various things we need help with
1797	The amount of encouragement from our parent educator and all the tips and resources she has shared with us.
1812	It was so nice to discuss milestones, especially when my son was delayed in speech. I'm so glad this program connected us to a speech pathologist.
1813	Developmental evaluations, educational resources, community events
1816	Our PE was a huge support to me and a trusted sounding board and resource as a first-time mom and as a stay-at-home mom, so I was trying to navigate all the decisions and enrichment for our son directly. The internet can be so overwhelming with advice or trying to search for guidance or resources. I am so grateful for this trusted program and wish it continued success.
1817	I had no frame of reference for what developmental milestones we should have been hitting and when- Bea was amazing at explaining and encouraging and giving us new ideas for activities and such. My kids don't do daycare or anything, so they are home with me, and knowing how we were tracking was amazing for these parents peace of mind!
1820	It's been so helpful to have someone to talk to about my baby's development. As a parent you're always worried something is wrong or you're missing something. And it's nice to just have another set of eyes on your kid.
1821	The recommendations and activities.
1825	The resources - things have been shared with me that I would have never had access to before joining PAT
1830	Resources help w/random questions related to my child's development.
1831	Confirmation and new ideas.
1835	Affirming where my child is developmentally, providing ideas for what to work on, giving advice for how to handle certain behavioral issues.

1911	Knowing that I am doing a good job as a mom in helping my child with her development as I have learned different ways to introduce things to her and tips and tricks for different things. I am a lot less stressed and more confident in being a new mom.
1938	My, Parent Educator, Kim Schultz she makes it safe for me to tell her things that I do not even tell my mom. She has helped me, and my husband be on the same page with our daughter. She has encouraged our talks as parents. She also encourages us a married couple. She reminded us we need to go on date night. We are working our way to making that happen. She gives great examples that helps me to visualize the strategies she and I come up with for challenging behaviors.
1960	Home visit - Suzanne always keeps us updated on development and gives us great ideas on what we can do with our child
2169	Kim has been a great resource to our family. She always has helpful guidance for us and told us about the peer mentoring program through the district where my 3-year-old now attends.
2172	Feedback on normal development and ways to promote appropriate behavior
2173	The advice given from the parent educator.
2174	Learning about milestones and age-appropriate play.
2176	Mary Chris really knows Hazel and has watched her develop - she's always giving us things to work towards or ideas of skills to help her mater.
2177	Help with learning how to raise children. I like the events.
2180	Resources and all the information that is provided to first time parents.
2184	Strategies for dealing with and avoiding tantrums
2189	Keeping up with milestones and encouraging independence for my little one.
2191	I greatly appreciated the data collection aspect from the ASQ screenings and understanding how my child was developing and what I could do to improve any deficits and any external resources that would be necessary/helpful. Also having a great relationship between our educator and each member of the family made the visits something our children looked forward to and enjoyed.
2193	Suzanne provides advice on anything! I love having a resource I trust for questions and tips when we're struggling with something
2197	I find the monthly check in super helpful to gauge where my kiddo is at developmentally and it's a nice time to ask questions on things, I've been wondering about
2200	Everything has been helpful. We are SO thankful for this program. Our educator has been incredible with resources and we have loved the classes they have offered as well.
2201	The access to support and education from someone that is qualified and has my family's best interest at heart. In addition, Kim Schultz, does a great job of creating a safe space to ask questions free of shame and judgment.
2202	Being a knowledge source and a referral for early intervention services was tremendously helpful for us. I'm not sure we would have found that on our own and we needed it.
2206	Knowing there was someone to help and get professional opinions from.
2211	We love the play center
2224	Helping with resources for developmental issues
2249	Knowing and tracking key benchmarks for a child her age has been very helpful. But also knowing that there are things that might take a little longer and that we're not doing anything wrong. :)
2259	Help with parenting strategies, being able to talk about difficulties with child with an expert.
2287	We love our time with Mary Chris. She is always available if I have a question in between sessions, flexible, and comes to our sessions with great knowledge, kindness, and helpful strategies/activities.
2311	Being connected to a resource outside of our pediatrician that is knowledgeable and supportive. I feel like I have someone to ask for help to solve my questions or concerns about my children's health and development.

2345	Learning about my son's development and activities I can do to help him reach his milestones.
2349	I love the education and tools about childhood development this program has given me. Tools I believe have greatly contributed to learning to be a successful parent. This program has also given me the peace of mind that I am doing ok with parenting despite my fears and doubts. I love having someone to ask my sometimes-crazy questions and concerns without the fear of judgement. I believe everyone should have a PAT there for the leap into parenthood.
2365	Understanding age-appropriate behaviors and strategies
2413	We are always enlightened by activities and skills that our child is ready to begin working on. It keeps us up to pace with his development. I love the monthly visits that keep pace with his growth. Without that, we would have the hardest time knowing what he should be capable of and by what age. I like the activities too.
2425	Knowing and recognizing milestones
2445	Advice & support as needed.
2449	Having an educator and talking about big development issues
2454	Getting ideas on what to do with my daughter. Knowing what's on track/need to work on. Problem solving.
2470	home visits play center actives EVERYTHING
2516	Mary Chris Blickhan is fantastic. She goes above and beyond to answer all my questions. She has helped me work through many issues and has been a tremendous resource to me. I will be so sad when the program ends!
2591	Meeting other families and seeing how my child interacts with other kids at PTA events. We especially appreciate the monthly educational topics such as health eating, potting training, etc.
2631	Having veteran parents available to answer questions to this first-time mom. To reassure me that I am doing the right things for my child.
3254	Helpful with strategies and understanding my child's development
3273	Knowing our kids are on track developmentally
3488	It helps me make sure my children are on track
3561	I enjoy the developmental pages and the activities.
3575	Miss Jennifer is an excellent parent educator!
3576	The information to meet milestones
3578	Helpful tips, programs abs events
3582	Resources, the parent educators shared knowledge and experience, encouragement
3614	Getting new ideas of ways to play, or ways to help with our child's development.
3620	I appreciate the information targeted for my child. Not only are they bringing reliable resources for the current age, but they will also provide specific resources and strategies for my child's needs
3631	Having someone to help me with getting all the resources that are beneficial to my family.
3660	The visits and info sheets give me lots of information about development.
3663	Strategies for dealing with tantrums
3716	The classes are very useful
3739	Getting feedback on milestones and clarity that what I'm doing is correct to help with my child development
3763	At a time that was really isolating for me and probably for many others (COVID plus being a new mom) it was nice to be able to connect with someone and share new milestones
3862	Ideas on how to encourage reading, music, and other developmental milestones. Also, the play center has been wonderful for us.
3954	Advice from parent educator
7569	Knowing what milestones our child should have reached by what age - especially 18 months and under when they change so fast. It was awesome to be able to reach out to an expert who has literally seen it all and get advice on how to handle difficult parenting situations.

815	Mary Chris is incredible - I appreciate her guidance and patience as I navigate parenthood. She is reassuring, warm, fun, and so knowledgeable - she provides valuable ideas for development and/or overcoming challenges at each visit. We are so grateful for her!
820	No additional comments
821	I don't know Suzanne Sawalich's ID# but she is wonderful, and we love her!
823	Very grateful!
828	We love Jennifer and were super bummed when we learned we'd graduate out of the program when our oldest turned 3.
831	Suzanne has been wonderful as our parent educator. We can really relate to her suggestions. I love all the information she sends and if I have any questions or want more information, she always gets back to me or has suggestions! I love all the hard work and dedication she has put toward our little family. Thank you, Suzanne!
833	My favorite aspects of the program are the community events. We love the play center, the scavenger hunt, the fire trucks. Those spots do fill up fast, however, so it would be nice to have more openings.
840	We LOVE Jennifer and wouldn't know what to do without her advice, encouragement, and expertise. She's helped me gain so much confidence as a new Mom.
841	I love it so much! My husband (no experience with kids prior to our own) really likes learning the information.
842	Such a great program, thank you for investing in our kids.
844	Love my educator
846	Always helped me feel less alone and less overwhelmed. Highly recommend.
848	We loved getting to know Annie & felt like she had good ideas and resources for us. She was easy to get ahold of and genuinely seemed excited to hear about my daughter via texts, calls, video calls and visits. She was helpful even between scheduled visits if I had questions or just fun milestones to share via text.
879	Thank you
919	We have not found the program beneficial. It may be because of Covid or because we have many people in the same life stage as us, but making our meetings feels more like a stress than any real benefit. I think the program would be more beneficial for stay-at-home parents or not during Covid. Our daycare has provided the services and observations we would have expected from PAT. Also, the group classes, if they're not during the day are always during dinner and naptime, so not convenient for working parents when that's the only time they see their children.
987	Suzanne is fantastic!
1072	Carrie McAtee is wonderful!
1140	Carrie was a great Parent Educator. Isla enjoyed Carrie and loved to see what she had to show her each meeting.
1143	Really helpful program, thank you.
1762	It's great!
1763	PAT always gives us new ideas. I heard someone mention that parenting is constant recalibration. PAT helps us find new ways to recalibrate.
1764	Really great program and resource for both new and experienced parents - there is always more to learn and new challenges with each new child.
1770	I love Jennifer Wonderly she made our experience unforgettable. She really held my hand as a new mother and helped make me feel better about some many growth and development issues.
1789	It's great, I've learned a lot!
1797	I really enjoyed the outdoor activities for families as well as the larger events put on by the PTA like the fire station tour.
1812	We loved it! Thank you!
1813	Kathie Pope was fantastic! My son enjoyed our in-home visits with her, and the resources she provided were very helpful.

1816	Our Parent Educator continued to be a resource if I had questions about development and helped me connect with JoCo infant toddler services when I was concerned about a potential speech delay (which they both have and are currently receiving support for).
1824	We've loved our home visits with Mary Chris for our 2 daughters
1911	My educator has really been very personable and easy to talk to. She is very invested in making sure things are going well for me along with my baby, so we have the best time learning things and doing things together.
1938	I had a PE, Kathie, who retired. Kim is our replacement. Kim has done a great job of building trust with us after having such a close relationship with Kathie. Kim has her own style, and it makes me feel safe to bring up topics that you do not share with just anyone.
2169	Kim is so great! I really enjoy her visits, she's always so helpful answering my questions and offering tools and advice for raising my toddler and baby. It's not easy, so I am so grateful that we have this program and Kim for extra support outside of family and friends.
2176	LOVE LOVE LOVE this program. It has also gotten us involved in some of the activities (i.e.: activity center, walking Storytime) and it's so nice to have those resources available.
2180	We have loved this program being first time parents. We have gained tons of new knowledge and feel as if we can always depend on parent educator if we need anything or have questions!
2182	Bea was an awesome Parent Educator- I miss her!!!
2189	We're so thankful for this program!
2191	Thank you for providing this service to first-time parents and for extending the opportunity when younger siblings show need. I really appreciated that our educator was able to assess our youngest child and get him the services he needed to thrive as well.
2193	Can't say enough good things about Suzanne!! She is so easy to talk to. No question is too small, she never makes me feel silly for asking, and always has advice to offer.
2202	The programs and classes provided are extremely helpful, and for free always amazes me. The amount of information provided to us without having to do a bunch of work in our busy schedules is just unmatched. We so appreciate this program and especially our parent educator. Having another adult in our daughter's life who engages with her so well and enriches her development is such a gift. As parents it helps ease our mind and gives us a sense of what is normal and gives us a check in with okay, we are doing a good job, or we can work on improving this area by doing this. It is usually small things, but we would miss it if we didn't have this program.
2206	Learned lots of helpful activities and lots of good advice for those tough times you go through with a child
2211	Thank you!
2249	Mary Chris has been wonderful and so laid back which fits our style. She always gets to the point of the visit but also has time to be personable and chat about other things going on. 5 stars for Mary Chris!
2311	I'm very impressed and grateful for the help I've received. My parent educator has been very communicative and offered flexible scheduling options.
2349	I love the PAT and I think this program is wonderful. Suzanne Sawalich has been such an integral part in our life as parents. It has been wonderful to get advice, ask questions and get information each month for the stages my child is in at that moment. I love everything about this program and recommend it to everyone I meet. Keep doing what you are doing!
2409	Being a first-time parent, it's been wonderful to have a program like this to learn and gain information. It helps me know how my child is developing and what to work on next. We recently went to Deanna Rose with the PAT program and had the best time. The tour was wonderful, and my daughter was talking about the animals days later.
2413	Mary Chris is so good with our family. She takes my concerns seriously even if I am being silly. She assures me of developmental progress and always helps me to look forward to the future as I pivot to grow with him. She adapts well- I can tell that she knows I don't like making homemade toys, so she gives me alternative ideas that fit better for our lifestyle. We are so lucky to have her.

2445	Loved this experience - we are sad it must end for our 3-year-old. Annie was great & I hope we can stay in touch.
2448	I do not recall how many visits or the exact months we have been enrolled. But have enjoyed the attention given to our child and support for us parents.
2449	Unsure of time since enrolled in program.
2454	Jennifer is so wonderful! Thank you for everything.
2470	We have loved the program and have learned so much - Suzanne has really helped us get through these last 2 years.
2591	I like how the educator brings an activity to engage with the child each visit. The development screenings are also helpful as first-time parents.
2680	we are very grateful for all the resources!! Thank you!
3582	Great experience!
3763	Absolutely love the guidance from our parent educator!

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