

How to Make a Referral

Any person who knows of a child/ student who's age is birth to 21 years and is having any developmental delays and/ or difficulties in learning may make a referral.

Call the ECI program for children through 3 years of age, the Special Education office at your local school district for children ages 3 through 21 years or call the Child Find number below.

Region One ESC Child Find/ Child Serve

1-800-274-7346



Early Childhood Programs Valley - Wide:

Helping Families Make Connections

Easter Seals Society - ECI
Program

McAllen (956) 631- 9171

Harlingen (956) 423-7457

ECI Project Niños
Webb/Jim Hogg & Zapata Counties

Laredo (956) 728-1769

Region One ECI Program
Edinburg (956) 984-6131

Brownsville (956) 504-9422



1900 W. Schunior
Edinburg, TX 78541
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**Child Find/Child Serve is a
Free Referral and Information
Service**



Child Find / Child Serve

Do you know a child or student between the ages of birth through 21 who shows signs of developmental delays, on-going learning problems, behavioral or medical problems that interfere with learning? Do you suspect the presence of a disability?

Child Find can help you and your family make connections to services in the community or your local school district.

Every child has the right to equal education in the state of Texas. Don't let your child be left behind in his /her attempts to be successful.

The following information will explain the areas that a child may need assistance and how to make a referral.

What is ECI?

Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) serves children, birth to age 3, with disabilities or delays. ECI teaches families how to help their children reach their potential through education and therapy services. There are 2 programs that serve the children in the Rio Grande Valley.

ECI services could include:

- Screenings and assessments, including hearing and vision
- Physical, occupational, speech and language therapy
- Consultation with therapists
- Activities to develop learning and eating skills
- Activities to help social and emotional development
 - Assistive technology
 - Case management
- Moving on to school or other services as needed at age 3 or when graduating from the program
 - Nutritional services
- Supporting child care or preschool teachers of enrolled children
- Home visits to develop plans



Families Making Connections



Services Provided by School Districts

Children Ages

3 - 21 years

The following are criteria which may qualify a student for special education services in school districts.

- Autism
- Intellectual Disability
- Hearing Impaired
- Speech Impaired
- Visually Impaired
- Orthopedically Impaired
- Emotionally Disturbed
- Learning Disabilities
- Other Health Impaired
- Traumatic Brain Injury
 - Deaf-Blindness
 - Learning Disability
- Specific Learning Disabilities
- Multiple disabilities