



# The Early Years: *Sensory Development*

## Problem:

A family's access to early childhood programs that facilitate kindergarten readiness can be impacted by socioeconomic status, systemic disparities, transportation, and family schedules. Typically, the children who are behind in communication and language upon entering kindergarten are children already at a disadvantage in the following areas: quality of life for child and family, health equity, and access to services.

## Solution:

The Early Years Project is a free online toolkit designed to supplement home visiting and early education programs. It includes easy-to-follow videos, activities, and resources to foster sensory development in children ages 0-6.

## Implementation



Instructional handouts are available to guide users on how to best use the content.

## Learning



The Early Years Project provides educational videos that teach parents about key sensory development areas, milestones, signs of delay, and ways to support development.

## Activities



Activities, with a brief description, to are linked in this section of the website. Identifiable icons, shown below, are used to indicate the area of development to which it pertains.

## Resources



Direct links to materials, agencies, and websites that can assist a family in learning and advocating for their child.

## Icons



Hearing



Vision



Communication



Language

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