

Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration is here to make sure you can find the best behavioral health programs and services to meet your individual and family needs. If you or someone you love has been diagnosed with an Intellectual Disability or Mental Health Issue; or if your child (birth to age 3) does not seem to be attaining normal milestones and you would like to inquire about Early Intervention, you can call us at (724) 430-1370.

ALL CALLS ARE CONFIDENTIAL

We work with Service Providers throughout Fayette County so that the behavioral health needs of the community and its residents are addressed. It is our job to make sure that appropriate programs and services are available county-wide to help you along your journey to recovery and wellness.

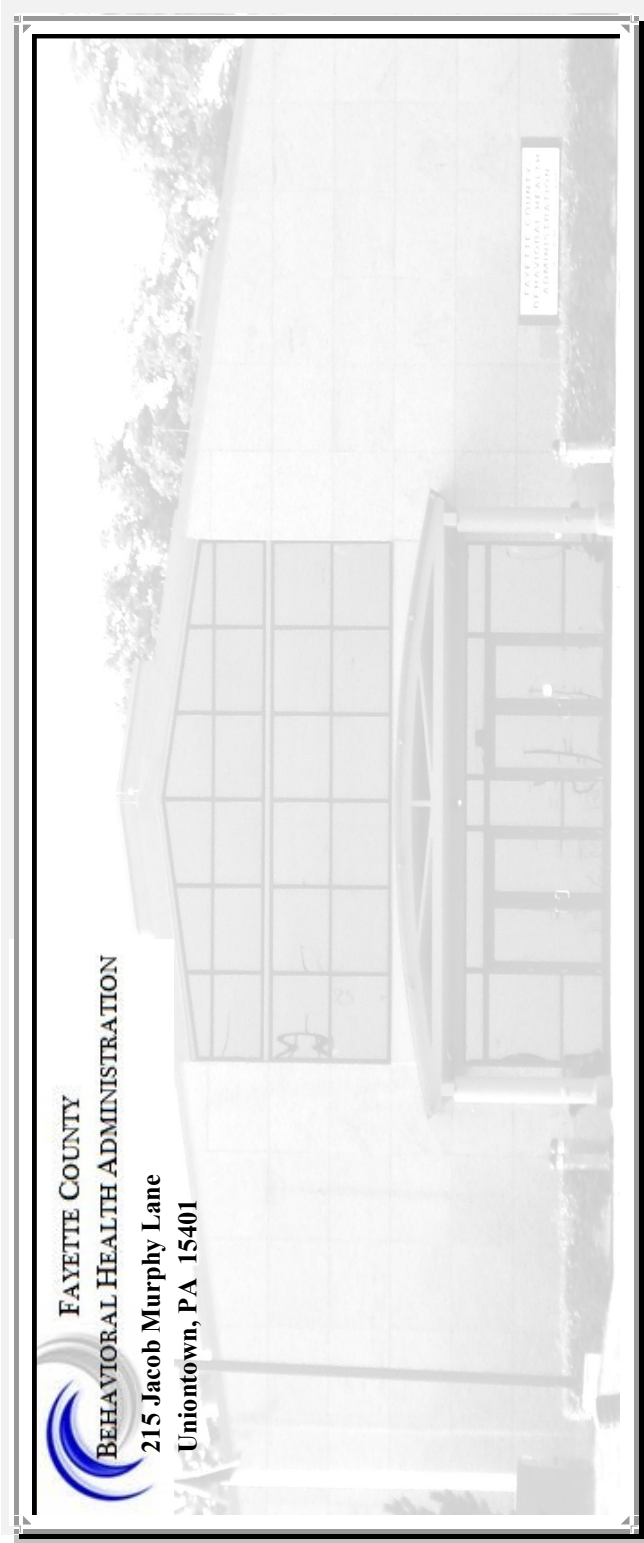
FAYETTE COUNTY 24-HOUR CRISIS LINE
(724) 437-1003

Counselors are available by phone or in person to speak with anyone feeling overwhelmed, frightened, threatened, sad or helpless. The local Crisis Hotline is staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, just call.

FCBHA is regulated by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) through its various offices including the Office of Child Development and Early Learning, Office of Developmental Programs and Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

FCBHA MISSION

To enrich lives by providing choice and access to resources that encourage hope, independence and recovery



ABOUT EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES IN FAYETTE COUNTY



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WHAT IS EARLY INTERVENTION (EI)?

Early Intervention in Pennsylvania consists of services and supports designed to help families with children who have developmental delays or disabilities. EI services can include information about how children develop, parent or caregiver education, family supports, and developmental and instructional therapies that assist in child development. EI builds upon the natural learning that occurs in the first few years. It is a process that promotes collaboration among parents, service providers and other who are involved with the child.

FIVE AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

- ≈ **Physical Development** - ability to move, see, and hear
- ≈ **Language and Speech Development**—ability to talk, understand, and express needs
- ≈ **Social and Emotional Development** - ability to relate to others
- ≈ **Self-Help or Adaptive Development**—ability to eat, dress, and take care of oneself
- ≈ **Cognitive Development**—ability to think and learn



Behaviors that are age-appropriate

3 Months

Follows objects, coos, cries when hungry or uncomfortable, smiles, rolls over, raises head when on tummy

6 Months

Knows familiar faces, lifts head, likes to watch his/her hands and look at things around them, shows excitement at feedings, brings hands together to center

1 Year

Rolls a ball, likes to play with toys, says and understands some words, responds to simple requests, pulls to stand up

1.5 Years

Starts to speak several words, points to body parts, begins to show independence

2 Years

Speaks several words together, feeds self with spoon and drinks from a cup, walks up and down stairs, follows simple commands, pays attention to short stories

2.5 Years

Asks for assistance when having difficulty, shy with strangers, takes off own shoes and socks, scribbles with pencil or crayons

3 Years

Follows 2-step commands, easily picks up small objects, uses three word sentences, enjoys playing with other children

**If your child is age 3 or older,
call 724-938-3241
to speak with Intermediate Unit #1.**

WHO IS ELIGIBLE ?

Infants and toddlers who have special needs due to a developmental delay or disability are eligible for Early Intervention Services. Eligibility is determined through a Multidisciplinary Evaluation (MDE) performed by an Independent Assessment Team. The team identifies concerns and assesses all areas of the child’s development. Once eligibility has been determined, an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) is developed. Some services offered by Early Intervention include:

- ♥ Speech Therapy
- ♥ Physical Therapy
- ♥ Occupational Therapy
- ♥ Special Instruction
- ♥ Nutrition
- ♥ Hearing /Vision Support Services

**Early Intervention
Services and Supports are provided
at no cost to families.**

LICC Local Interagency Coordinating Council

The LICC is a group of parents/caregivers and EI professionals who work together to develop the best services for children and families. The LICC strives to: discuss services and ways to improve them, link families with other families in the EI system, and review laws and regulations governing Early Intervention.

To learn more about LICC, call
(724) 430-1370.