

# What is the Head Start/Early Head Start Program?

The Head Start/Early Head Start Program is a comprehensive education program, designed to meet the needs of low income families of children from birth to age five and pregnant mothers. Head Start/Early Head Start is aimed at enhancing the development of children while strengthening families.

## Our mission is:

- ♥ To enhance the development of children birth to five and promote school readiness
- ♥ To promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women
- ♥ To help parents achieve self sufficiency

# Who do we serve?

Head Start/Early Head Start Program serves:

- ♥ Children Birth to Age 5 years who meet The Federal Poverty Guidelines
- ♥ Pregnant Women
- ♥ Children with disabilities
- ♥ Foster Children
- ♥ Homeless Children



# Our Services



Head Start/Early Head Start Program provides quality early childhood education with parents and children through interactive child development activities. We provide:

**Comprehensive Services:** Head Start/Early Head Start provides wrap around supports to parents and children in the areas of **Education, Health, Nutrition, Mental Health, Disabilities and Social Services.**

## We provide:

- ♥ Individualized Lesson Planning
- ♥ Health and Nutrition Screening
- ♥ Social Emotional Screening
- ♥ Early Intervention Referrals and Linkages
- ♥ Social Services Referrals and Linkages
- ♥ Mental Health Support and Linkages
- ♥ Family Goal Planning
- ♥ Parent Education

**\*Our Program is Inclusive of Children with Disabilities**



# Parent Involvement in HS/EHS

Parent Involvement is an integral part of the success of Head Start/Early Head Start. Parents in Head Start/Early Head Start take a leadership role by participating on various committees.

- ♥ Parents participate as decision makers
- ♥ Parents participate in program planning
- ♥ Parents participate in leadership training
- ♥ Parents work in partnership with staff and community leaders



# Who can Refer?

- ♥ Personal Referrals
- ♥ Prenatal Clinics and Hospitals
- ♥ Community Providers
- ♥ Clergy
- ♥ Local County and State Government
- ♥ School Personnel
- ♥ Homeless Shelters
- ♥ Other Social Service & Child Care Agencies

# Remember...

Head Start/ Early Head Start Program enhances the lives of children and families through comprehensive services.

## Our Program helps you:

- ♥ Prepare for the successful birth of your baby
- ♥ Enrich your child's development through early learning
- ♥ Learn how to provide your child with a healthy and safe learning environment
- ♥ Reach family goals for success and independence
- ♥ Build confidence while learning more about yourself and your community

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*We save children's lives and build healthy families.*

### Values

We value services that work, that are all evaluated, and that help children and parents to help themselves. Our services are delivered with dignity, cultural sensitivity and respect for our clients.

### Vision

Every child is in a safe, caring, and permanent family. All children and parents have the skills and knowledge they need to help themselves long after our active case involvement has ended.

### Major Service Areas

- ♥ Child Welfare/Permanency
- ♥ Clinical/Mental Health
- ♥ Early Childhood and Parenting Education
- ♥ Maternal/Child Health, Family & Community
- ♥ School Based
- ♥ Kinship



*CHSoF NJ will not factor the Adoptive Family's race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, marital status, or sexual orientation into its decision to approve or not approve the Adoptive Family's home study.*

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# Head Start/Early Head Start Program



*Building the Foundation in  
Early Childhood Education in  
Trenton through Comprehensive  
Head Start/Early Head Start  
Services for Children Birth to 5  
years old and Expectant Mothers*



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