## Services for children birth to three who may have delays in their development

Alabama's Early Intervention System, within the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, provides support and services for infants and toddlers under the age of three who have a developmental delay or a medical diagnosis that can delay normal development.

Early intervention provides support and services for eligible children that focuses on teaching the parents and caregivers ways to help their child learn and participate in everyday activities.

Every child develops at his or her own pace. The <u>"Step Ahead" brochure</u> has a checklist of age-related activities that parents and caregivers can use to compare their child's skills with other children their age. If you are concerned about your child's skills, you should contact Alabama's Early Intervention System as follows:

- Call toll-free: 1-800-543-3098
- Request a referral online at <u>NeverTooEarlyAL.org</u>
- Download the <u>Child Find Referral Form</u> and the <u>Step Ahead brochure</u> from <u>www.rehab.alabama.gov/services/ei</u>