



Dear Early Child Care Provider and/or Parent/Guardian,

As Inclusion Specialists for the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County, we help connect providers and families with local resources to support and assist a child in the least restrictive learning environment. If you are concerned with the development of your child in any area (social emotional, behavioral, speech/language, hearing, vision, medical, dental, etc.), we can share resources in Orange County for locating evaluation and intervention services. You do not have to wait for any agency to refer children who need intervention. The children do not have to be 4C School Readiness funded in any way. The only requirement is that they be birth to 5 years of age.

If you wish for us to follow up with you about your concerns, referral intake forms must be completed to begin the process. The child will be observed in the natural setting (the classroom) and a validation of concerns prepared. This validation of concerns, along with specific community resources for obtaining further evaluation/intervention, will then be shared with the provider and parent/guardian. It is important to note that we will not directly evaluate nor deliver therapeutic intervention.

The Coalition makes available this service to child care providers and parent/guardians to enhance knowledge and competence in serving and caring for our children in Orange County. Inclusion services include technical assistance and consultation regarding curriculum, teaching strategies, environmental adaptations, and challenging behavioral solutions. If we can be of service to you **contact us via email only**, [nmarvin@elcoc.org](mailto:nmarvin@elcoc.org) or [akummerfeldt@elcoc.org](mailto:akummerfeldt@elcoc.org), to receive a link for completing and submitting the necessary referral forms to begin the process. Then we ask that you gather any information or documentation of your concerns to share with us at the time of the observation follow up.

After you receive the link, download, fill out and submit all completed referral forms back to the Early Learning Coalition using the submit link provided. You will then receive a confirmation email to download and print copies of the submitted forms. *Please note: Pages 1 & 2 can also be completed separately by both provider staff and parent/guardian if a link is requested for both parties. Separate email addresses will be needed for both parties to receive separate links.*

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