

Kindering embraces children of diverse abilities and their families by providing the finest education and therapies to nurture hope, courage, and the skills to soar.



# **FAMILIES IN TRANSITION (FIT)**

Kindering's FIT program helps parents meet the needs of their child's development. Our program is customized for families who are experiencing housing instability, or may have other barriers to accessing services at Kindering.

### **Program**

A virtual developmental evaluation is available for children from birth to 3 years old who may benefit from a developmental evaluation and services.

#### What does an evaluation include?

A 1.5–2 hour developmental evaluation with our team to gather information from parents and look at the child's development across the following five areas: Cognitive, Physical, Communication, Social-Emotional, and Adaptive/Self Help.

#### Scheduling and Locations

Evaluation time is scheduled virtually weekly. We serve families in Bothell, Kenmore, Woodinville, Lynnwood, Mountlake Terrace, Brier, Edmonds, Everett, Bellevue, Kirkland, Redmond, Mercer Island, Sammamish, Issaquah, Newcastle, and Renton. We will come to the family for the evaluation.

#### **Benefits**

Developmental evaluations can reassure families that their child's skills and learning are on track. We can also identify delays a child might have. For children who have delays, we can offer early support services at no cost to the parent whether or not they have insurance.

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER REFERRAL?

**Step 1**: The Family Resources Coordinator will contact you to get more information, answer questions, and schedule a developmental evaluation.

**Step 2**: A developmental evaluation will look at a child's development and provide feedback about suggested next steps.

**Early Support Services** <u>may</u> include: Resource connection; Family support services; Speech-language therapy; Physical or occupational therapy; Feeding therapy; Education services; Classes at Kindering like the Baby Steps parent/infant group, Family Co-op, or Toddler Preschool.

For more information or to schedule an evaluation, contact Jill Clacy at (425) 289-7523 or by email at Jill.Clacy@Kindering.Org.