Special Education Preschool Services

Criteria for Special Education:
- autism
- deaf-blindness
- deafness
- emotional disturbance
- hearing impairment
- intellectual disability
- multiple disabilities
- orthopedic impairment (such as cerebral palsy)
- other health impairment
- specific learning disability
- traumatic brain injury
- visual impairment

California Code of Regulations Title 5

Any child >3 years old with developmental delays OR a developmental disorder

Was the child enrolled in early intervention?

Yes

Confirm child has IEP with the local school district OR was assessed and found ineligible

No

Does the child meet criteria for special education services? (see box 1)

Yes

Refer to local school district AND/OR refer to Regional Center

No

Perform Developmental Surveillance and/or Screening including HX, FH, SH, PE, ASQ, PEDS, BINS

Developmental Screening Results?

Positive finding on Hx, FH, SH, or PE

Abnormal developmental screening test

Parents request evaluation from local school district AND consider Developmental Behavioral Pediatric evaluation

Positive finding on Hx, FH, SH, or PE

Normal developmental screening test

Consider interdisciplinary developmental team assessment OR medical evaluation OR monitor

Normal Hx, FH, SH, or PE

Abnormal developmental screening test

Parents request evaluation from local school district AND consider Developmental Behavioral Pediatric evaluation

Normal Hx, FH, SH, or PE

Normal developmental screening test

Collaborate with family regarding next steps AND continue to monitor with screening

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