

Are you interested in your child's development? Would you like resources on parenting? Are you challenged by your child's behavior?

Contact Help Me Grow

Help Me Grow connects families with young children to resources in the community to enhance their child's development. By calling the toll free number, 1.866.GROW.025, or visiting the website, helpmegrowoc.org, parents and professionals have access to developmental services for young children living in Orange County.

Connecting families to resources for:

- Behavior
- Parenting
- Child Development
- Speech and Language
- Developmental Screening
- Support Groups
- Early Literacy
- Education

Call 1.866.GROW.025 (1.866.476.9025)

www.helpmegrowoc.org

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Help Me Grow connects children and families to developmental services to enhance the behavior and development of children birth through five years living in Orange County.

Call if you are...

- Wondering about your child's development, behavior or learning
- Needing support to access developmental services
- Assisting a client, family member or friend seek information about developmental services
- Requesting to have your organization included in the developmental services database used for referrals

The Help Me Grow team will....

- Listen to your concerns to help you decide which referrals are right for the needs of your family
- Find services that are appropriate and available for referrals
- Connect you and your child to services
- Follow up to find out if you were connected to a service

Partnering to Build the Network

Through a partnership with 2-1-1 Orange County, the Help Me Grow team uses a shared resource database. By networking with the community, we learn about current developmental services for entry into the resource database. This information is then passed on to our families when they call the toll free # 1.866.GROW.025.

Developmental Surveillance and Screening

Help Me Grow staff are available to offer training and support to primary health care providers wanting to implement routine developmental screenings. We support the use of norm-referenced screening tools at well child visits. After a developmental screening, Help Me Grow will connect children to necessary early developmental services.

Connecting Families to Developmental Services

DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES CHART		
MOTOR	COMMUNICATION	SOCIAL & COGNITIVE
	Your 6-month old	
Rolls over	 Responds to his/her name 	• Smiles when he/she sees a parent
Picks up a small toy	Squeals and uses	 Looks for a dropped toy
Moves toy from hand to hand	consonants (ba, da, ma)	
	Your 1-year old	
Takes steps alone or with hands held	 Points to show you things 	• Finds a toy hidden under a blanket
Picks up cheerios with finger and thumb	 Has begun to say single words 	• Follows a simple command (give me)
Your 2-year old		
Kicks a large ball	Follows simple directions	Uses pretend items
• Turns board book pages	Uses 2-word phrases	during play (pretends to talk on phone)
Stacks 4 blocks	• Uses 50 words	Turns over a small plastic bottle to get what is inside
Your 3-year old		
Jumps in place	 Tells you what is happening in a picture 	Uses words to describe emotions (happy, sad)
Draws a circleStrings large beads	 Points to 7 different body parts 	Matches colors
	Your 4-year old	
Hops on one foot	 Follows 3 unrelated 	Engages in fantasy play
Rides a tricycle	directions	Names 2 friends or
Stacks 10 blocks	 Uses past tense and plurals 	playmates
	Talks about daily activities	Sings familiar songs
	Your 5-year old	
• Balances on one foot for 5 seconds	 Uses at least 5 word sentences 	Plays simple board games
Cuts on a line with safety scissors	 Names opposites (ice is cold, fire is) 	Draws person with head, body, arms and legs
Prints some letters	• Identifies colors and shapes	Counts on fingers

