

Dear Child Care Service Provider

We would like to confirm when you should refer to a Resource Consultant and when you should refer to the Behaviour Consultant.

Referral to a Resource Consultant:

- The child is enrolled in a licensed child care, licensed home child care, Ontario Early Years (OEYC) or Family Resource Program (FRP).
- The Disc Pre-school (DPS) score is 6 or less. If the score is higher, but the parent or the child care/OEYC/FRP staff has questions about the child's development.
- If the child has a diagnosis, impacting development milestones.
- If the child does not have a diagnosis but is involved with other agencies to support development.

Referral to the Behaviour Consultant

- The child is enrolled in a licensed child care licensed home child care, Ontario Early Years Centre or Family Resource Program
- The Disc Pre-School Screen (DPS) score is 7-12 and there are no apparent developmental concerns
- The child's behaviour/emotional self-regulation is presenting challenges in the early years environment
- The Children's Actions, Relationships and Emotions (C.A.R.E) Behaviour Screening Tool has been completed (please refer to pathways chart if the C.A.R.E is not completed).
- If the child has a mental health diagnosis impacting functional interactions and participation.

To access either the Resource Consultant or the Behaviour Consultant:

1. Complete the Request for Service/Referral form. Check off either the Resource Consultant (for developmental focus) or the Behaviour Consultant (for behavioral focus) box. Please only check off one box.
2. Follow all the steps on the top of the first page of the Request for Children's Services/Referral form.
3. Submit to Children's Services intake electronically or by fax as listed on the form.

Please delete previous versions of these forms and use these instead. These forms can be found on the ECCDC website, under Inclusive Child Care Supports Committee, at http://www.eccdc.org/1/iccsc_default.php

The following information has been attached:

- Flowchart for Pathstone Mental Health Behaviour Resource Consultant
- Quality Child Care Niagara (QCCN) Consent for C.A.R.E Behavioral Screening Tool
- Parents steps to apply online

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Helen Lake at 905-980-6000, extn. 3823

Thank you,

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