

Starting at the Child Development Centre in Rural Communities



Referral

- Anyone can make a referral to the Child Development Centre with permission from the family. You can call us toll free at 1-866-835-8386 or 867-456-8182.
- Once we get the referral this is what you can expect if you live in a Yukon community.

First Phone Call

- We will call to set up an initial consult time for you and your child to meet with the therapist when they are visiting your community (sometimes this initial consult is with parents only).
- Sometimes we will ask about your child, your family, and answer your questions during this first phone call. This information will help us direct you to the therapist that will be the best match for your child's needs.

Initial Consult

- A therapist will meet you at your home or somewhere in your community that works for you.
- If we did not ask you questions about your child, family history and your concerns during the first phone call, the therapist will do that at this visit.
- The therapist will gather more information about your child by talking with you, playing with your child or both.
- The therapist might suggest ideas to try at home and/or ongoing service.
- You will be asked to sign consent forms.

Ongoing Service with Therapist

- A therapist will call you to offer services when they are coming to your community. We travel to rural communities once a month or once every two months.
- If you are seeing more than one therapist, a service coordinator will be assigned to you and your child.
- You and the therapist(s) will talk about what intervention fits best for your family. Together, you will develop a Family Plan including goals for your child.
- Sometimes we hire an early childhood therapy assistant in the community to work with children in between our visits.