

DECA Screening and Referral Process—Health Care Provider Edition



All Well Child Visits: Perform Developmental Surveillance

American Academy of Pediatrics Guidelines:

- Perform Developmental Screenings at 9, 18, and 24 or 30 month well child visits (ex. ASQ-3).
- Perform Autism Specific Screen at 18 and 24 months or when concerns (ex. MCHAT).
- Screen for social and emotional development at any well child visit (ex. DECA).

DECA Assessment (I/T & P2) Results & Next Steps:

Screening and referral process should be done in partnership with the family, & be based on individual child's needs. If family has concerns, please refer to appropriate services, regardless of screening test result.

Level 1: Strength Range

Protective Factor Scale T-scores are **greater than or equal to 60**.

1. Provide family with activities for building competencies in social and emotional development (*For Now and Forever* guide provided in DECA Kit)
2. Perform development screening (ex. ASQ-3)
3. Re-assess every 4 months

Level 2: Typical Range

Protective Factor T-scores **between 41 and 59 inclusive** and/or T-scores **59 or below** on Behavioral Concerns (DECA-P2 only).

1. Monitor--rescreen
2. Consider facilitated referral* to:
 - Home visiting program and/or;
 - Social & Emotional resources
3. Follow up with referral source if made
4. Provide family with activities for building competencies in social and emotional development (*For Now and Forever* guide provided in DECA Kit)
5. Perform developmental screen (ASQ-3)
6. Re-assess every 4 months

Level 3: Concern/Area of Need Range

Protective Factor Scale T-score **less than or equal to 40**, or a Behavioral Concerns Scale T-score **greater than or equal to 60**.

1. Facilitated Referral* for further evaluation and/or services
 - Home visiting program and/or;
 - Social & Emotional resources and/or;
 - Inclusions Services and/or;
 - Mental Health provider (LCSW, LPC, Psy.D.)
 - Child Psychiatrist
2. Provide family with activities for building competencies in social and emotional development (*For Now and Forever* guide provided in DECA Kit)
3. Perform developmental screen (ASQ-3)
4. Re-assess every 4 months

*Facilitated Referral –

1. Have staff assist parent with making referral.
2. Send information related to screening results to referral.
3. Follow up with referral source to ensure referral received, appointment occurred and to obtain results.

For more information about the Devereux Early Childhood Assessments, please contact the Devereux Center for Resilient Children at www.centerforresilientchildren.org or call (866) 872-4687.

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Healthcare Provider Screening & Referral Resource List-St. Louis City (To be used with the Screening & Referral Process Grid)

Level Scored (from Screening & Referral Process Grid)

Level 2	Level 3	Social & Emotional Scores Recommend Referral	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social & Emotional Resources: Go to Social & Emotional List • Hearing: Center for Hearing & Speech Phone: 314-968-4710 Fax: 314-968-4762 SSM Cardinal Glennon Audiology Phone: 314-577-5383 Fax: 314-577-5383 St. Louis Children's Audiology Phone: 314-454-6171 Fax: 314-454-4097 • Vision: SSM Cardinal Glennon Ophthalmology Phone: 314-268-4010 Fax: 314-268-4167 St. Louis Children's Ophthalmology Phone: 314-454-6026 Fax: 314-454-2368 • Home Visitation: Crisis Nursery (0-3 years; ask about the BBB/Bright Beginnings for Babies Program) 314-533-6900 Nurses For Newborns (0-2 years) 314-544-3433 ext. 315 Parents as Teachers (0-5 years) 314-331-6152 RAISING St. Louis (Mom must be pregnant) 314-747-7785 • Title 1 Preschool (3-5 years): St. Louis Public Schools 314-331-6150 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social & Emotional Resources: Go to Social & Emotional List • Developmental Pediatrics Knights of Columbus Developmental Center at SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center 314-577-5609 • Early Intervention Specialists: Early Childhood Special Education (3-5 years) 314-633-5360 First Steps (0-3 years) 314-453-9203 • Speech, Occupational, Physical Therapy: First Choice Home Health, Inc. 636-928-3760 PS Kids, LLC 314-845-7751 St. Louis Children's Therapy Services 314-454-6154 SSM Cardinal Glennon Therapy Services 314-577-5669 Delta Gamma Center (if vision problems also exist) 314-776-1300 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Intervention Services: Early Childhood Special Education (3-5 years) 314-633-5360 First Steps (0-3 years) 314-453-9203 Our Little Academy Therapeutic Preschool (3-6 years) 314-533-2229 ext. 222 Inclusion Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Care Aware® of Eastern MO, a program at LUME Institute 314-469-9805 • United 4 Children 314-531-1412 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health Providers: Affinia Healthcare Murphy-O'Fallon Child Development Center-Biddle (0-18 yrs) Phone: 314-814-8616 Fax: 314-814-8647 Affinia Healthcare Soulard-Benton Child Development Center-Lemp (0-18 yrs) Phone: 314-814-8777 Fax: 314-776-3362 Amanda L Hopewell Center-Prince Hall Family Support Center (6 years +) Phone: 314-531-1770 Fax: 314-381-6796 BJC Behavioral Health (2 1/2 yrs—6 yrs, must be South St. Louis City resident or St. Louis County resident) Phone: 314-729-4004 Fax: 314-729-4002 Epworth Family Support Network (0-13 yrs) Phone: 314-918-3301 To make a referral: 314-918-3362 Fax: 314-918-3395 Keystone Mental Health Services at Our Little Haven (psych evaluations-all ages; treatment-birth to 12 and parents) Phone: 314-533-2229 ext. 223 Mercy Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (2+) Phone: 314-251-6898 Fax: 314-251-4197 SSM Cardinal Glennon Psychology & Psychiatry (infant-18 yrs) Phone: 314-577-5667 Fax: 314-268-2784
<p>*ParentLink is available to help you connect families to resources and follow up afterwards, call 573-882-7323 or 1-800-552-8522. **This is not a comprehensive listing-additional resources may be available in your community; encourage families to check with insurance carrier; if a child does not qualify for First Steps/ECSE services, please consider referring to other providers on the list.</p>			
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