
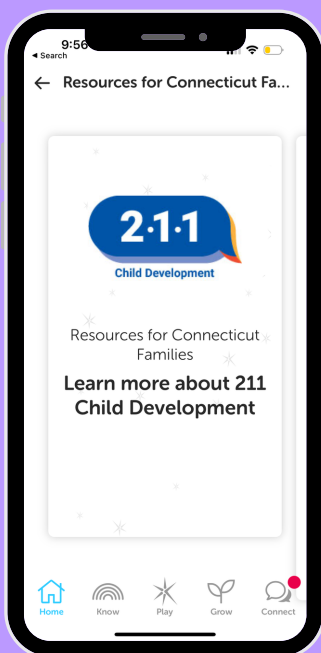


# How to Take the Next Step

Here are some of the services/supports available to CT families with young children. Learn more and take the next step to learn more and support your child. Either parents or providers can refer children for the supports listed here, but it is always a parent's choice to go through the process and/or receive services.

Service	Description	Next Step
	<p>Birth to Three is for families of infants/toddlers under 3 years old with significant developmental delays/disabilities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete Birth to Three's <a href="#">online form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax <a href="#">this form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Home Visiting</b></p>	<p>Home Visiting is for people who are pregnant or who have young children and could benefit from in-home support services promoting positive parenting and healthy development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator</li> <li>• Complete the <a href="#">online home visiting form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax <a href="#">this form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul> 
	<p>Early childhood special education is provided by school districts under state and federal law. It's for 3-, 4- and 5-year-old children with disabilities who require special education services.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Mid Level Developmental Assessment (MLDA)</b></p>	<p>MLDA is for children 3-6 years old who are struggling within their home and/or school environment.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul> 
<p><b>Children &amp; Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN)</b></p>	<p>This is for young people with chronic physical, developmental, behavioral, or emotional conditions who require more health and related services than other children the same age.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul> 

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Mental Health Evaluation	Mental health evaluation is for children and youth who need support around mental health and/or emotional well-being.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call your child's pediatrician or</li> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul>
Family Support	Family Support is for parents and caregivers to be empowered and educated to ensure their children learn and grow.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul>
Advocacy	Advocacy helps parents and caregivers to understand their rights, effectively advocate for their children, and collaborate with providers. One example of this type of service is Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center (CPAC).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul>
Hearing or Vision Screening	Hearing or Vision screening are regular tests administered to newborns, toddlers, and children to identify any abnormalities or disorders in their capabilities in the areas of sight and hearing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call your child's pediatrician or</li> <li>• Call 211 Child Development (1-800-505-7000) and talk with a care coordinator.</li> <li>• Complete the online <a href="#">referral form</a>.</li> <li>• Fax the <a href="#">referral form</a> to 860-571-6853.</li> </ul>



## Do you have questions or concerns about your child's development?

Through Sparkler's mobile app, online (at <https://cdi.211ct.org>), or by phone (1-800-505-7000), CT [families](#) and [providers](#) can access answers, support, and referrals from 211 Child Development. 211 Child Development is a specialized unit of United Way of Connecticut. 211 is the central intake for Birth to Three and other services available to CT families. Care Coordinators are available to answer the phone Monday through Friday from 8 AM - 6 PM, except on holidays. Messages can be left 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and are returned promptly. This service is free and confidential.