

# WHAT IS EARLY INTERVENTION?



## How can this service help you?

The early intervention service consultant will come to your home and

- help you understand the manifestations of your child and the consequences of your child's condition to the everyday life of the family,
- help you choose the optimal stimulation toys, aids and methods,
- help you make the best use of the children's early age to support their maximum development,
- inform you about claims available to you as a parent
- provide you with contacts to families that have gone through a similar situation, if you wish,
- provide you with professional information you may need between the medical check-ups so that you can devote more time to your child.

The early intervention – a professional field service for families with children who have disabilities or are at risk as a result of:

- physical as well as sensory disability,
- serious health diagnosis,
- premature birth,
- birth complications.

The early intervention service is intended for families with children up to 7 years of age, and it may be cancelled at any time.

# EARLY INTERVENTION IN PRACTICE

When you establish contact with the service provider and enter into an agreement to receive the early intervention, an early intervention consultant with experience in supporting the children's and the family's development and the families will visit you regularly (every 2 up to 12 weeks according to the offer of the service provider, the child's age and your needs); under the Act on social services. These field consultations will make up at least 75 percent of the early intervention service. You can also choose some outpatient services suitable for your child and for the family at the registered office of the service provider.

## THE EARLY INTERVENTION IS PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE

The early intervention is a part of social prevention service and its providers operate in all regions of the Czech Republic. You can contact any early intervention service provider to find out which specific service can help you.



You can find the list of the early intervention service providers at [www.arpcr.cz](http://www.arpcr.cz) or in the Registry of the social services providers [registr.mpsv.cz](http://registr.mpsv.cz).

