

## LI ECDC Mission

The Mission of the Long Island Early Childhood Direction Center is to provide parents of children birth through age five, who have been diagnosed or who have suspected special needs, and the professionals who work with them free and confidential information, resources, referrals, and trainings in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. Services are available in English and Spanish and other languages upon request.

## Nuestra Misión

La misión de El Centro de Dirección para Educación Temprana de Long Island, es proveer información para familias de niños de edades de nacimiento hasta los cinco años que tienen un diagnóstico o hay sospecha de un atraso en su desarrollo y a los profesionales quienes trabajan con ellos, brindándoles información gratis y confidencial, recursos, referidos y entrenamientos en los condados de Suffolk y Nassau. Tenemos servicios disponible en Inglés, Español y otros idiomas a petición.

## How to reach us?

**For information, to speak with an Early Childhood Specialist, or to schedule a workshop, you can contact us via:**

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*Free, Neutral, and Confidential Resources for Families and Professionals Serving Children with Disabilities from Birth through Age Five*



## *Long Island Early Childhood Direction Center Serving Nassau and Suffolk*

We are here to serve parents and early intervention, preschool, and school district professionals as they meet the needs of young children.

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\* If you are a parent or professional concerned about an infant or young child having special needs, we provide information, resources, and referral.

\*If you are a parent or professional in need of information and resources about a specific disability, we provide informative topic specific workshops.



## ***Long Island Early Childhood Direction Center...***

***Serving all who love and support our littlest Long Islanders with special needs.***

***All ECDC services are Free, Neutral, and Confidential.***

**Information, resources, and referrals for families if you are concerned about:**

- **Speech and Language Delay**
- **Learning Problems**
- **Behavioral/Emotional Problems**
- **Hearing Impairment /Deafness**
- **Visual Impairment/Blindness**
- **Intellectual Disability**
- **Prenatal Drug Exposure**
- **Physical Disability**
- **Developmental Delay**
- **Other Health Problems**

## **Workshops for Parents**

This is a sampling of workshops provided. Consult our website for the complete list.

- **Special Ed "101"-** This interactive workshop will enhance your understanding of the special education process (the referral, evaluation, and placement process).
- **The Early Intervention (EI) Process -** Navigating referral to evaluation to planning services with families.
- **Transition from Early Intervention (EI) to Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE).**
- **Transition from Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) to Committee on Special Education (CSE) and Kindergarten.**
- **The Pyramid Model (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) and Response to Intervention (RtI) -** What parents need to know about these models for assessment and support within classroom settings.

- **Effective Communication and Team Building between Families and Educators is the Key to Success!**
- **Addressing Challenging Behaviors.**
- **Educating Young Children**

**Technical Assistance and Staff Development for Professionals Working with Children with Disabilities Birth through age Five**

- **Social/Emotional Learning**
- **Assessing and Addressing Behavioral Challenges**
- **Enhancing Early Communication and Early Literacy Development**
- **Team Building with Parents and Professionals**
- **Best Practices**
- **Strategies to Support Placements in the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)**

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