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Top 10 ways to make an Early Intervention home visit successful!

- 1. YOU ARE THE EXPERT WHEN IT COMES TO YOUR CHILD ~**
Don't hesitate to give your ideas and opinions.
- 2. KEEP DISTRACTIONS TO A MINIMUM ~**
Dedicate this time to your child and family. Before your visit, please silence your cell phone, and turn off the TV, radio and computer.
- 3. BE INVOLVED IN THE VISIT ~**
We like you to stay involved in the visit as much as possible. Join in the fun & learning.
- 4. LOOK FORWARD TO THE HOME VISIT ~**
Set the stage for the EI home visit, (you will know what is appropriate for your child) talk to them about someone coming to “play” with them.
- 5. REMEMBER YOUR EI HOME VISITOR IS IN MANY HOMES ~**
If there is a contagious illness in your home, call to reschedule. Don't be shy to ask if everyone has washed or disinfected their hands & toys.
- 6. USE THE CHILD'S TOYS TO ELICIT MORE LANGUAGE AND PLAY ~**
Think about using your toys in different ways. Make up stories, introduce movement or sing a song, all to creatively use your existing toys.
- 7. ASK QUESTIONS & KEEP AN EI NOTEBOOK/FILE ~**
Keep a list of questions to ask your Early Intervention Specialist. If concerns come up, please feel free to call or email Sherri Miller, Innovative Interventions' Administrator (phone and email listed above) or your service coordinator. It is also helpful to keep Early Intervention paperwork in a notebook that can be filed and referenced when needed.
- 8. KNOW A HOME VISIT DOES NOT ALWAYS HAVE TO BE IN THE HOME ~**
Any environment your family is in may be considered a home visit... Try the park or your back yard if your child is working on motor activities.
- 9. PLEASE UNDERSTAND YOUR HOME VISITOR HAS SCHEDULED THIS TIME FOR YOUR CHILD AND FAMILY ~**
Please block off the time and mark Early Intervention as important in your calendar. If you need to cancel please call as soon as possible.
- 10 FOLLOW-UP WITH SUGGESTED STRATEGIES ~**
The Early Intervention home visitor may only be with your child for an hour or so, your family is in it for a lifetime. Strategies that can be incorporated into every day activities are the most successful. You have the ability to turn play time, dinner time, bed time, or anytime into a learning experience.