



**Missouri First Steps Program
Early Intervention Teams (EIT) Glossary
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Ancillary Providers – Service providers from disciplines other than those represented on the Early Intervention Team and enrolled on the service Matrix through the Central Finance Office (CFO). Examples include a dietician, counselor, audiologist, etc.

Assessment - ongoing procedures used by appropriate, qualified personnel throughout the period of a child's eligibility to identify:

- a) the child's unique strengths and needs and the services appropriate to meet those needs;
- b) the resources, priorities, and concerns of the family and identification of supports and services necessary to enhance the family's capacity to meet the developmental needs of their child with a disability; and,
- c) the nature and extent of early intervention services that are needed by the child and the child's family to meet the needs of the child.

Developmental Assessment of Young Children (DAYC) – A norm-referenced evaluation instrument used by a member of the EIT to assist in determining a child's eligibility for First Steps.

Early Intervention Team (EIT) – A team comprised of at least one of the following: Occupational Therapist, Speech-Language Pathologist, Physical Therapist, Special Instructor, and Service Coordinator. The EIT is designated to provide services in a specific geographic area in Missouri.

EIT Meeting – A regularly scheduled meeting of the EIT to exchange professional opinions, strategies, and information about children assigned to EIT.

Evaluation – Procedures used by appropriate, qualified personnel to determine a child's initial and continuing eligibility under Part C of IDEA; including determining the status of the child in each of the developmental areas.

Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) Meeting – A meeting of a child's IFSP team to complete an initial, annual, 6-month review or inter-periodic review of the IFSP document.

Joint Home Visits – The primary provider is accompanied by a supporting provider to the child's natural environment to consult on a specific issue(s).

Primary Provider – The member of an EIT who is the primary service provider for a given family/child.

Routines-Based Interview (RBI)TM – A process for collecting information from the family about a child and family's daily routines and activities, how satisfied the family is with those routines, and the challenges/obstacles the family encounters, as presented by Dr. Robin McWilliam.

Shared Service Coordination – Missouri's concept of service coordination in which some service coordination duties may be shared with the primary provider and/or other SPOE employees.

Supporting Provider – A member of the EIT (other than the primary provider) who also works with a family/child.