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WHAT DO THE FAMILY MENTORS DO?

When is the right time to bring in a Family Mentor? The earlier the better! Right from the start when the infant is identified Deaf/DeafBlind/DeafDisabled/Hard of Hearing and Early Start Services have begun is the best time to introduce Family Mentors to the family. Language acquisition begins at birth.

Family Mentors will connect families with:

- Vocabulary
- Family Engagement
- Deaf Role Models
- Deaf Community Resources

HOW DO I GET FAMILY MENTORING SERVICES?

Either the Early Start Teachers or the child's parents can request Family Mentoring services as language service with DCARA as a service provider in your child's IFSP or IEP.

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