Developmental Screening & the PCP

Primary Care Providers

Children 0-3 yrs.
Screen

Pass

Screen Again
Develop. Screen- 9, 18 & 30 mos.
Autism Screen- 18 & 24 mos.

Fail

Refer to Local EI Program
- Electronic fax from EHR
or call DOH referral line
401-222-5960

Children 3-5 yrs.

Encourage & Connect Families to Child Outreach (CO)

All Families

Distribute Child Outreach (CO) Materials
Every Child- Every Year

PCP Concern

Request CO Screening-
-Electronic fax from EHR
www.ride.ri.gov/childoutreachcontacts

An EI referral or request for CO screening should be made as soon as a concern is noted. Additional medical/behavioral health referrals may be required simultaneously.

*CO will notify PCP of results
*Requests received over the summer are usually processed upon the opening of the new school year
PCP’s Role in Developmental Screening & Referral

*the first steps in ensuring that young children receive the interventions necessary to achieve positive and lasting outcomes

Newborns, Infants, Toddlers 0-3

- **performs developmental screening** at 9, 18, & 30 months
- **performs autism screening** at 18 & 24 months
- if child fails screening, **refer to Local EI program** via electronic fax from EHR or call DOH referral line 401-222-5960
- receives notification regarding the interventions that are put into place

Preschoolers 3-5 (prior to kindergarten)

- asks families if their child has been screened this year & **encourages annual screenings** for all
- **distributes Child Outreach (CO) materials** to all
- views CO screening results in KIDSNET
- if identifies a concern, **requests a CO screening** via electronic fax from EHR
  - Child Outreach contact information, including fax numbers, are available at [www.ride.ri.gov/childoutreachcontacts](http://www.ride.ri.gov/childoutreachcontacts)
  - CO will notify PCP of results
  - screenings requested over the summer will be processed in September as most CO programs run September-June

*PCPs can always support families in contacting their local school departments and referring directly to special education. Direct referrals may be necessary over the summer months if screenings are not available.*