

# Home Visiting Opportunities & Resources

## What is Home Visiting?

Home visiting programs provide support and coaching to families through planned, regular visits with trained professionals. They are evidence-based, voluntary programs where parents work with home visitors to improve child development, family health, parenting skills, family bonding, and more, based on the unique priorities and schedules of each family.

## How can home visiting support your patients and their families?

Home visiting helps with early identification of developmental delays and other health concerns. It has been associated with improved adaptive behavior, self-control, and mental health in children. Home visiting has also been linked with improved parenting knowledge and skills along with prevention of child abuse and neglect. Home visitors provide culturally competent care and are available to support tribal communities.

**Who is eligible for home visiting?** Eligibility varies based on program funding. However, barriers or stressors that automatically indicate eligibility include: extreme poverty, DCFS involvement, homelessness (including doubled-up housing), or an identified developmental delay. Other stressors that might indicate eligibility include: teen or young parent, poverty, new immigrant/refugee. If you are unsure if your patient qualifies, please use the visiting program links provided on this flyer to identify the best program fit.



**To make a referral in DuPage County, use any of the following:**

[Integrated Referral and Intake System \(IRIS\)](#)  
(Coordinated Intake for DuPage County)

[igrow Illinois](#)

### **DuPage Area Home Visiting Programs**

[Family Focus DuPage](#)

[Teen Parent Connection](#)

[Early Head Start – Metropolitan Family Services](#)

[DuPage Health Department Healthy Families DuPage](#)

[Educare West DuPage](#)

[Evangelical Child and Family](#)

[YWCA Strong Families](#)

### **DuPage County Home Visiting Programs**

[DuPage Regional Office of Education Parents as Teachers Program](#)

[Glenbard Parents as Teachers](#)

[Naperville 203 Early Connections](#)

[West Chicago D33 Birth to Three](#)

[Bensenville 2 Birth to Three](#)



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