Bright Beginnings

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ANNUAL REPORT SFY20: JULY 1, 2019-JUNE 30, 2020

The mission of Bright Beginnings is to support families during the crucial early years of a child's life to help children grow, learn, and develop to their fullest potential. Providing services in Cuyahoga County and throughout Ohio.

EARLY INTERVENTION

REFERRAL 32% **SOURCES** Family or Caregiver 7% Hospital Children and Family Services Physicians 36% Self-generated referrals ■ All other sources 16% 3,390 REFERRALS

NEW FOR SFY2020

Developed services for children with elevated blood lead levels, a significant concern in our community.

ELIGIBILITY REASON

- One or more Substantial Delays
- One or more Mild Delays
- Diagnosis on Form
- Informed Clinical Opinion
- Diagnosis on List



My daughter had an expressive language delav. Early Intervention staff came to our house and helped me learn the skills to encourage her to try new words and sounds. We had an AMAZING experience, and in just under a year my daughter caught up! - Emily, Lyndhurst mom with a two year old daughter

SERVICES ON IFSPS

Therapy



980 909 556

Therapy

Social Work Special Services Instruction Language

Training

Speech Pathology Services

Transition Based

Other

PARENTS AS TEACHERS

Bright Beginnings helped us by providing a professional, knowledgeable mentor. Being first time parents, Bright Beginnings is like having training wheels for the journey of parenthood. We have better abilities communicating and understanding our child's thinking.

~ Linh, Cleveland mom with a two-year-old son

FAMILIES AND CHILDREN SERVED:

4,990 **Home Visits**

427 **Families Served**

564 **Children Served**

PROGRAM RETENTION

Family exits 231

Average number of visits 28.2

Average months of service 22.8



Bright Beginnings provides Central Intake for Early Intervention and Home Visiting across Ohio.

HELP ME GROW EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTRAL INTAKE AND REFERRAL SYSTEM

83,000+

INCOMING REFERRALS

Regional

Centers

Counties

El and HV

providers

6,000+

ACTIVITIES

The year 2020 was challenging due to many complexities added by the COVID-19 pandemic, but we used more virtual and out-of-the-box methods to reach and serve our families.

EARLY INTERVENTION

37,665

27,940

SYSTEM REFERRALS CHILDREN ASSIGNED TO AN EI PROVIDER

NEW: Children with neonatal abstinence syndrome or elevated blood lead levels are automatically eligible for Early Intervention throughout Ohio.

REFERRAL SOURCES

Children and Family Services 5,992

El providers 2,981

7,863

Family or Caregiver

9,035

Hospital

6,425

Physician All other referral sources 5,369

HOME VISITING SFY20

SYSTEM REFERRALS

VISITING IN OCHIDS

FAMILIES ASSIGNED BY MODEL



BRIGHT BEGINNINGS

Services are made possible through generous funding and in-kind contributions from:

Bruening Foundation

Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Cuyahoga County Family and Children First Council

Cuyahoga County Levy Funds

Educational Service Center of Northeast Ohio

Giving Back Gang (a Cleveland Foundation donor advised fund)

Invest in Children of Cuyahoga County

Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities

Ohio Department of Health

Ohio General Revenue Funds

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Ratner Fund

United States Federal IDEA Funds

University Hospitals for Great Lakes

Regional Partnership Council

Ohio Children's Trust Fund

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Action for Children

Butler County Educational Service Center

Help Me Grow Brighter Futures

Lucas County Family Council

Mahoning County Educational Service Center

Noble County Health District

Pike County Board of Developmental Disabilities









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