

Pre-Natal Program Requirements

Please be informed that as a Federal funded Early Head Start program we have to abide by certain regulations. They include:

Before you can be considered eligible, we must have:

1. Completed application form
2. Proof of identification (i.e. state ID, or school ID)
3. Family income verified by a staff member
4. Proof of pregnancy

Additional requirements for Early Head Start are as follows:

1. **Within 30 calendar days** of your first day of services, we must have in our records: current prenatal care or a scheduled appointment with a health care provider, Dental visit or dental risk assessment, Pre-natal assessment, WIC enrollment, proof of insurance (i.e. private or Medicaid).
2. **After the birth of the child** ~ a post partum assessment, and two weeks assessment is to be completed. Within 6 weeks after the birth of the child. A transition plan will be implemented for services to transfer from the mom to the newborn child. Within six months all transitions from mom to the newborn will be completed unless otherwise approved by the MAISD.
3. **Referral** - If I do not qualify for Early Head Start, I give permission for Head Start of Muskegon/Oceana to give my name, address, and phone number to other programs so that I can be contacted about other options.

Family and Staff Partnership

1. I can ask for clarification of any of the requirements listed above at any time during the enrollment process. (If you need any clarification regarding the points above, please wait to sign this section until you speak with an Early Head Start Staff.)
2. Early Head Start staff is available to assist my family if help is needed to complete requirements.
3. There will be many opportunities for me to be involved in Early Head Start experience including socializations, educational activities, and family and community events.
4. I may ask for clarification and/or assistance from Early Head Start staff as needed so that I can fully participate.