



# Early Intervention Transition

Children who are in the Hawaii Department of Health's Early Intervention program will transition out of the program when they meet all their IFSP outcomes or turn three years old. Follow these steps for a smooth transition from Part C Early Intervention (EI) to Part B, the Department of Education (DOE) special education preschool (if the child meets Part B eligibility requirements) or other community programs.



## Step 1

### Planning for Transition Starts Early

Part C requires a transition meeting to occur no more than 9 months and no less than 3 months prior to age 3.



Discuss and develop a transition plan at the first IFSP meeting



Plan is reviewed at each IFSP meeting



Plan includes steps to support child and family



Plan includes service options based on discussions with family

## Step 2

### Think About Your Transition Options



DOE Special Education Preschool



Private Preschool or Child Care Center



Community Programs / Traveling Preschools



Playgroups or staying home



## Step 3

### Part C EI Transition Conference

Must occur at least 90 days before the child turns 3.



Chance to find out about programs in the community



Family can share hopes, dreams and goals for their child



Establish relationships with school or program staff



DOE invited to share about their referral process.



EI supports family in making referrals to DOE and/or community programs selected by the parent.



## Step 4

### Special Education Transition



The referral to DOE begins the request for evaluations to determine IDEA eligibility



Student Focus Team meeting with family & neighborhood school to discuss if evaluation is warranted



If warranted, evaluations will be conducted by the DOE



Eligibility Conference to determine if child meets criteria for special education & related services



Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting to set goals and objectives for your child to be implemented by age 3

