



Kennedy Krieger Institute

EARLY EXPLORERS

Early Intervention Preschool Group

Are you looking for a social skills opportunity for your preschool-aged child with OT or SLP needs?

The Child and Family Support Program (CFSP) of the Kennedy Krieger Institute is currently offering an early intervention therapy group for families in the Baltimore-Metro area. Please see important information below.

What: Multi-disciplinary (OT and SLP) early intervention preschool group

Who: Children ages 2 through 5 with an OT and/or SLP diagnosis

When: Wednesdays from 2:00-3:30pm for 10 weeks

**Where: Kennedy Krieger Fairmount Campus
1750 E. Fairmount Ave
Baltimore, MD 21231**

Early Explorers' lesson plans are designed to introduce families to a preschool environment and prepare children for the transition to a structured preschool setting. Weekly themes are explored through music, art, circle time, movement, and snack activities. Therapeutic groups focus on developing the following:

- Improved attention and on-task behaviors
- Fine motor and self-help skills
- Language skills and pre-school concepts
- Social skills
- Parent training with weekly take home activities

Important Information about Early Explorers:

- Referrals are accepted for children who are 2 to 5 years old who have a developmental disability resulting in an occupational therapy **and/or** speech-language pathology diagnosis. Children who are not placed into the current group will be placed on the waiting list for the next available group session.
- Medical assistance and private insurance (pending approval) is accepted.
- Parents or caregivers are an integral part of the Early Explorer's group. Because of the number of children in each session, we are unable to accommodate siblings as part of the group.

Early Explorers is offered on a quarterly basis (Jan-Mar, April-June, July-Sep, and Oct-Dec) but referrals are accepted on an ongoing basis. Referrals can be made by filling out the attached referral form and faxing to 443-923-3845 or by contacting Mindy Golden at 443-923-3285 or golden@kennedykrieger.org