Algorithm A: Your Role Before Referral to Early Intervention

Primary care visit scheduled

BEFORE THE VISIT: Collect and review all available information, including any hearing screen results

AT THE VISIT:
1. Perform developmental surveillance
   • History
   • Observations
   • Concerns
   • Risk factors
2. Administer standardized screen IF
   • 9-, 18- or 24/30-month visit, or
   • surveillance shows risk
3. Administer ASD-specific screening tool if 18- or 24-month visit

Screen is positive, parent or provider has concerns, or child has auto-eligible condition?

YES

1. Acknowledge and reinforce family strengths
2. Review parent/caregiver concerns, identified delays and/or auto-eligible conditions
3. Discuss EI referral

NO

1. Reinforce reasons for EI referral with parent/caregiver
2. Perform diagnostic work-up as indicated in the medical home
3. Communicate additional findings to parent/caregiver
4. Refer directly to the EI Program within two business days

Go to Algorithm B

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Algorithm B: Your Role After Referral to Early Intervention

1. Parent/caregiver has agreed to EI referral

   B1

   - Complete EI referral form
   - Encourage parent/caregiver to consent to share EI information with you

   B2

   - EI assigns ISC who speaks family’s primary language
   - ISC meets with family to
     - Explain EI
     - Obtain consent for MDE
     - Obtain consent to obtain/share EI information with you

   B3

   - Parent/caregiver consents to MDE?
     - YES

     - EI evaluator asks for your input during MDE. Submit a comprehensive health assessment form (e.g., CH205)

     B6

   - Evaluator completes MDE in child and family’s primary language

     - YES

   - EI eligibility established?

     B9

   - EI, family, evaluator and other team members develop IFSP

     B11

   - EI initiates planning for transition out of EI between child’s 2nd and 3rd birthdays

   - EI begins services within 30 days

   - EI reviews IFSP every 6 months

   - EI explains benefits of information sharing and repeats request for consent

   - NO

   - Parent/caregiver consents to share MDE information with you?

     B7

   - EI evaluates PCP

     B10

   - NO

   - YES

   - Review IFSP (with parent consent)
     - Promptly write prescription for PT, OT or feeding services, if service(s) authorized by EI
     - Throughout services:
       - Follow up with diagnostic work-up and referrals
       - Manage comorbidities
       - Share relevant information/diagnoses
       - Communicate with EI and family

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