

# Inspiring Abilities. Enriching Lives.

## Our Vision:

A community where everyone belongs and participates.

## Our Mission:

Together with our community, KW Habilitation inspires abilities to enrich the lives of children, youth, adults and families.

## Early Learning, Child Care and Family Services' Mission:

Empowering families within Early Learning and Child Care using a strength-based approach, supporting children as they participate in their communities.



To learn more about KW Habilitation's Early Learning, Child Care and Family Resources, please contact us at:

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## KW Habilitation's Early Learning, Child Care & Family Resources

We support the needs of all children from 0 - 6 years of age who have a social, emotional or developmental need and live in the Region of Waterloo. Our role is dependent on the need of the children, families and ELCC program.

### Who We Are

Our team is made up of Resource Consultants, Enhanced Staff (under a Purchase of Service model), Volunteers and Students. Early Learning, Child Care and Family Resources is a member of the Region of Waterloo Special Needs Resourcing (SNR) Collaborative.

## What We Offer

### Resource Consultation

- Assessments and Checklists to monitor growth and development
- Collaborate with families and all educators
- Transitional Support
- Information, training and resources to educators and families
- Assist Early Learning and Child Care centres in determining additional support needs
- Support in the Early Learning and Child Care community

### Enhanced Staffing

- A Registered Early Childhood Educator (RECE) or equivalent, under a Purchase of Service model, is assigned to a child care setting for specific times of the day when the needs of the classroom exceeds the current child to staff ratio
- Eligibility for Enhanced staffing is based upon strict Health, Safety and Mobility Criteria

### Volunteer and Student Placements

- Volunteers and students support children in all areas of development
- We support high school, college and university student placements

### Early Learning, Child Care & Family Resources

- Committed to inclusive child care to promote healthy child development
- Believe parents should be involved in all decisions about the well-being of their family
- Believe families have the right to quality child care that meets the needs of their child
- Believe in the strength of children and families

### Referral Process

Referrals can be made by a parent/guardian, doctor, community agency or early learning and child care centre with written consent from a parent/guardian. A referral is made by calling our child care Special Needs Access Point (SNAP), Region of Waterloo at 519-883-2022.



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