

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

As one of the programs offered at KW Habilitation, Early Learning, Child Care and Family Resources (ELCCFR) provides support to licensed early learning and child care programs. 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 the ELCC program.

Our team is made up of Resource Consultants, Enhanced Staff (under a Purchase of Service model) and a combination of Volunteers and Student placements.

Early Learning, Child Care and Family Resources is a member of the Region of Waterloo Special Needs Resourcing (SNR) Collaborative.

Our Work

Early Learning & Child Care Programs

- Complete functional assessments, checklists and screens
- Assist to identify the child's strengths, needs and talents
- Collaborate with Early Childhood Educators, families and other professionals in the community involved with each child
- Coordinate a support plan for each child
- Monitor growth and development
- Provide support to children entering Early Learning programs
- Provide information, training and resources to Early Childhood Educators and families
- Assist Early Learning and Child Care programs in determining additional support needs
- Assist with the transition to school process
- Support quality in the Early Learning and Child Care community

Our Work with Families

We believe parents/guardians are the key decision makers for their children. Our Resource Consultants provide information to parents/guardians about:

- Accessing financial programs
- Finding quality child care
- Making referrals to other services, programs and agencies
- Community services and resources
- Behaviour management strategies
- Child development

Early Learning, Child Care & Family Resources

- Believe and are committed to inclusive child care that promotes healthy child development for all children
- 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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