

# ND Early Childhood Outcomes Process

## Age Expectation Developmental Milestones by Age Groups

<p><b>Outcome 1:</b>  <b>Positive Social-Emotional Skills</b>  Children demonstrate age appropriate functioning by.....</p> <p><b>Birth - 6 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fixating on the human face and tracking or following movements presented at 9 to 12 inches from the face</li> <li>• Turning their head and eyes in the direction of the parent voice</li> <li>• Being comforted and appearing to enjoy touch and being held by a familiar adult</li> <li>• Anticipating being lifted or fed and moving body toward caregiver when being approached</li> <li>• Smiling spontaneously to human contact, smiling in play, and smiling at self in mirror</li> <li>• Initiating and terminating social interactions</li> <li>• Enjoying games with others such as “Where is your nose?” and “So Big!”</li> <li>• Vocalizing in response to babbling behavior, vocalizations and speech produced by an adult</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcome 2:</b>  <b>Acquiring and Using Knowledge and Skills</b>  Children demonstrate age appropriate functioning by.....</p> <p><b>Birth - 6 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beginning to reach for objects</li> <li>• Observing hands and fingers</li> <li>• Looking to place on body where being touched</li> <li>• Clasping hands together and exploring fingers</li> <li>• Trying to cause things to happen such as kicking a mobile and smiling</li> <li>• Squeezing a rubber toy and shows pleasure</li> <li>• Dropping a ball and observing the fall</li> <li>• Developing more precise imitation skills of facial movements and speech sounds</li> <li>• Securing an object that is partially hidden with a cloth</li> <li>• Repeating arm movements to keep a toy activated, keep mom singing, or other causal event</li> <li>• Demonstrating exploratory behaviors with objects</li> <li>• Varying pitch and intonation</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcome 3:</b>  <b>Taking Appropriate Action to Meet Needs</b>  Children demonstrate age appropriate functioning by.....</p> <p><b>Birth - 6 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Producing different cries for different reasons</li> <li>• Beginning to reach for objects</li> <li>• Rolling over in one direction</li> <li>• Sitting independently with minimal assistance</li> <li>• Bringing hands together at midline</li> <li>• Rooting reflex; turns mouth toward hand rubbing cheek</li> <li>• Expressing displeasure when clothes are pulled over head</li> <li>• Enjoying bath; keeps eyes open and indicates pleasure when placed in warm water</li> <li>• Walking reflex; when held upright with feet resting on flat surface, lifts feet alternately in walking-like motion</li> <li>• Lifting and rotating head</li> <li>• Holding small objects or toys</li> </ul>
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jargon and echolalia are almost gone</li> <li>• Often using personal pronouns (I, you, he, it, me) correctly</li> <li>• Using regular plurals (cats, dogs, balls) and morphemes (in, on)</li> <li>• Understanding "one", "all"</li> <li>• Matching objects and shapes</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcome 3:</b> <b>Taking Appropriate Action to Meet Needs</b> Children demonstrate age appropriate functioning by.....</p> <p><b>25 - 30 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holding spoon, scooping food and bringing to mouth with spilling</li> <li>• Playing on outdoor play structures (climbing, sliding)</li> <li>• Removing unfastened garments</li> <li>• Taking off own shoes, socks, and some pants</li> <li>• Putting on socks, coat, and shirt</li> <li>• Knowing which faucet is hot and cold</li> <li>• Trying to wash self</li> <li>• Unscrewing lid on small (1") jar or bottle</li> <li>• Opening door by turning handle</li> <li>• Turning knob to open doors or turn on objects (radio, TV, stereo)</li> <li>• Sitting on riding toys and pushing with feet; may ride tricycle</li> <li>• Swinging leg to kick a stationary ball</li> <li>• Expressing likes and dislikes; may be a fussy eater</li> <li>• Helping clean up; putting things away</li> <li>• Imitating circular, vertical and horizontal strokes</li> <li>• Stacking 6 to 7 blocks when building</li> <li>• Walking up steps, alternating feet while holding rail or hand for support</li> <li>• Snipping paper with scissor</li> <li>• Using one hand consistently in most activities</li> <li>• Catching ball (by trapping against body) when playing with adult or peer</li> <li>• Liking to take things apart and put them together again</li> <li>• Addressing listener to get attention</li> <li>• Requesting familiar stories</li> <li>• Attempting to locate objects when discussed by others</li> <li>• Changing intonation and tone to communicate meaning</li> </ul>
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48 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drawing a person with head and three additional features</li> <li>• Connecting consequences to a specific behavior</li> <li>• Using strategies to solve problems</li> <li>• Elaborating and expanding other’s utterances</li> <li>• Asking questions about persons and things</li> <li>• Completing analogies (We eat with a ____, We sleep on a __)</li> <li>• Following three step commands</li> <li>• Understanding temporal terms (before, after, now, soon)</li> <li>• Understanding prepositions in temporal expressions (in a week, after awhile)</li> <li>• Understanding concept of more</li> <li>• Recognizing everyday sounds</li> <li>• Selecting specific details in a story and repeats them</li> <li>• Responding to questions with appropriate answers</li> <li>• Gaining information through listening</li> <li>• Consistently using complete sentences of at least four words</li> <li>• Speaking clearly enough so that 75 to 80 percent of speech is understandable</li> <li>• Using irregular plurals (sheep, leaves, mice)</li> <li>• Using prepositions in phrases</li> <li>• Using possessive pronouns (his, hers, theirs)</li> <li>• Beginning to use articles (the, a)</li> <li>• Responding correctly to questions (who, when, where)</li> <li>• Using some adverbs (softly, loudly)</li> <li>• Using “ed” on verbs to include past tense (petted, walked, cooked)</li> <li>• Using imperatives (“Do it!”)</li> <li>• Enjoys singing a simple tune</li> <li>• Counting five objects and rote to five</li> <li>• Understanding the concept of the number three (“Give me three.”)</li> <li>• Naming four colors</li> <li>• Matching objects that have the same function (comb and brush)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Outcome 3:</b>  <b>Taking Appropriate Action to Meet Needs</b>  Children demonstrate age appropriate functioning by.....</p> <p><b>37 - 48 Months</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unscrewing cap off bottle</li> <li>• Using the toilet with some help</li> <li>• Sleeping through most nights without wetting the bed</li> <li>• Exploring a variety of movements (pulling, crawling, catching balls, throwing bean bags, waving scarves, kicking)</li> <li>• Using tools appropriately (wooden hammers, spoon and fork, scissors, crayons, markers)</li> <li>• Buttoning one button or snap</li> <li>• Performing tasks using more refined motions (buttoning, zipping, attempts tying shoes)</li> <li>• Walking up and down stairs alternating feet without holding on to rail or hand</li> <li>• Demonstrating body spatial awareness in relationship to stationary objects</li> <li>• Changing tone of voice and sentence structure to match listener’s level of understanding</li> <li>• Feeding self with spoon and small fork, spilling very little</li> <li>• Buttering bread with small knife</li> <li>• Pouring milk and juice with little assistance</li> <li>• Getting a drink from a faucet</li> <li>• Hanging clothing on hook</li> <li>• Putting on boots and mittens</li> <li>• Washing hands and face by self</li> <li>• Wiping nose, unassisted</li> <li>• Brushing teeth independently</li> <li>• Using vertical, horizontal, and circular motions when drawing</li> <li>• Pedaling and steering small tricycle</li> <li>• Kicking a large ball</li> <li>• Cutting on a line</li> <li>• Copying drawing a cross</li> <li>• Setting table with assistance</li> <li>• Telling others about events that happened in the past</li> <li>• Repeating words or ideas to be sure information is communicated</li> <li>• Stating point of view, likes/dislikes, and opinions using words, signs or picture boards</li> <li>• Building bridge using three blocks</li> </ul>
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