PREVENTION RESOURCE AND REFERRAL SERVICES (PRRS)

Talking Points for Regional Center Service Coordinators

Introducing Parents to PRRS:

- → Good news! Your child does not need early intervention services. In our community, developmental information and support is available through your local ESFRC which provides comprehensive information and referrals to community resources which may help you to encourage your child's development. I would like to refer you to them.
- → This is an excellent way to stay connected and involved with your child and community services. The ESFRC has been serving families in our community with information, support, resources and referrals for years. They are staffed by parents of children with developmental concerns and have experience accessing and navigating community services.
- **↓** ESFRC offers: Peer parent support, information about community activities and resources that enhance child development, a wealth of information and materials on child development, community service providers, and much more.

If Parents Consent to Referral:

GREAT! I will send the ESFRC your information today. You should hear from them shortly. If you would like to get in touch with them yourself, I'm happy to give you their contact information now.

If Parents Decline Referral:

I will put the ESFRC brochure and information about PRRS in the mail for you in case anything changes and you decide you are interested later. You can always get more information on PRRS services by contacting the ESFRC.

Explaining PRRS to Parents:

- ♣ PRRS provides enhanced information, resources and referrals to families of babies and toddlers, up to age 3, who are at risk for a developmental delay, but do not qualify for California Early Start. There is no cost for PRRS and it is available statewide.
- ♣ The ESFRC will contact you to get started with PRRS. Together, you can identify resources and strategies to encourage your child's development, which you can use as part of your family action plan.
- ♣ The ESFRC will keep in touch with you until your child turns 3. If your needs change or concerns arise, they will work with you to access needed information and assistance.

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