

Healthy social emotional development promotes a range of positive behaviors skills with young children. Some children need extra support in developing healthy social emotional skills. When observing children with concerning behaviors, there are many aspects to think about in addition to the observed behaviors. If concerns arise about particular behaviors, consider the following questions in addition the child's behavior.

- * How severe is the behavior(s)?
- * How long has the behavior(s) been a concern?
- * How long does the behavior(s) last?
- * How does the behavior(s) of the child compare with his peers/other children his age?
- * Are there events at home or school that change the behavior?

When Can The ECCP Help?

Some Signs That a Child May Need Support



Infant

Birth to 12 months

- Unusually difficult to soothe or console
- Limited interest in things or people
- Consistent strong reactions to touch, sounds, or movement
- Always fearful or on guard
- Reacts strongly for no apparent reason

Toddler

- Displays very little emotion
- Unable to comfort or calm self
- Limited interest in things or people
- Does not turn to families or adults for comfort and help
- Has inconsistent sleep patterns
- Shows aggression or frequent biting

Preschool

- Consistently prefers to not play with others or activities
- Goes with strangers easily
- Destructive or aggressive towards self or others
- Limited use of word
- Impulsive/Limited self control
- Difficulty problem solving
- Appears sad/depressed
- Poor social skills
- Difficulty with transitions or routines