Module 3: Celebrating Growth

power point 2



Objective

The student will describe professional behavior regarding confidentiality of referrals.

Discussion Questions

- 1. How would you approach a parent or caregiver about the need for a referral for developmental screening of their child?
- 2. What do you need to consider *before* talking to a parent or caregiver?
- 3. Why is confidentiality important? What could be possible outcomes for not maintaining confidentiality?

Developmental screening

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Developmental Screening tools- Points to know

- You may notice some "red flags" or atypical development. This should prompt you to talk to the family.
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Other points to know:

- Sometimes developmental screenings provide the information required to request early intervention, such as specific supports for targeted delays, if needed.
- You are required by Washington state law to advise the family of their child's progress and issues relating to developmental needs and program practices.

A List of ways you might prepare yourself to speak to the family as a professional:

- Sharing observation data with a child's family can be painful and intimidating.
- Good documentation of your observations and knowledge of typical child development will help you to share the information objectively.
- Knowing the local resources for referral is essential to help families understand what their next steps are.
- It is essential as a professional in this field to keep all observations and referrals confidential.