



A Family Centered Approach to Developing Quality Outcome March 2011 Training What VALLEY Learned about Describing EI Supports & Services to Families

Based on what they learned during training, early intervention (EI) practitioners in the VALLEY region of Virginia shared these statements as examples of how they will use what they learned when explaining EI Supports and Services to families:

"We encourage total family participation (siblings, etc.)"

"What we do 1 hour per week does not make the difference; you (the parent) do."

"We are identifying activities/routines that naturally happen to incorporate specific strategies."

"This is about coaching/modeling vs. hands on with a therapist."

"Providers will help families develop strategies to use with their child throughout a typical day."

"We provide family-based support not just child-specific therapy."

"We are there to help families help their child."

"Natural environments; it's more than a place...it's also people, activities, desired new activities."

"Family is an active part of the Part C team."

"Strategies should be easy for caregivers to implement."