

# **Aging and Disability Services Division**

## **IDEA Part C**

### **Medical/Auto Eligible list for Nevada Early Intervention Services**

The diagnostic categories listed below are conditions that may qualify an infant or toddler for automatic eligibility under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C Early Intervention Services. Final eligibility decisions are made by Nevada Early Intervention Services (NEIS) physicians, based on the child's diagnosis, clinical observations, and supporting documentation. All referrals submitted to the System Point of Entry (SPOE) must be reviewed by an NEIS physician to confirm and document automatic eligibility.

#### **Auto Eligible Categories (Not All Inclusive)**

**Arthrogryposis/Major Limb Malformations:** Rare condition characterized by stiff joints and abnormally developed muscles and not a specific diagnosis but a clinical finding

- Amniotic Band Syndrome (with major limb malformation)
- Amputations
- Arthrogryposis
- Limb Malformations (e.g., club foot)

**Central Nervous System Disorders/Diseases:** Affect brain, spinal cord, and nervous system tissues

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| • Bacterial or Herpes Meningitis                                                     | • Major brain malformations    |
| • Encephalopathy                                                                     | • Periventricular Leukomalacia |
| • Fetal Stroke with Abnormal Neurologic Examination                                  | • Seizure Disorder             |
| • Holoprosencephaly                                                                  | • Sensory feeding Issues       |
| • Hydrocephalus                                                                      | • Shaken Baby Syndrome         |
| • Infantile Spasms                                                                   | • Spina Bifida (All Variants)  |
| • Intraventricular Hemorrhage in babies (IVH) Grade II, III or IV with atypical tone | • Spinal Malformations         |
|                                                                                      | • Traumatic Brain Injury       |
| • Kernicterus Neurodegenerative Disorder                                             |                                |

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### **Chromosomal Abnormalities:** Existing in the genetic structure of the infant's chromosomes

- Aneuploidy
- Angelman Syndrome
- CHARGE Syndrome/Association
- Cri-du-chat Syndrome
- Down Syndrome
- Fragile X Syndrome
- 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome\* (DiGeorge Syndrome or Velocardiofacial Syndrome)
- Klinefelter Syndrome
- Prader-Willi Syndrome
- Syndromic Chromosomal Disorders
- Turner Syndrome
- Williams Syndrome

### **Craniofacial Malformations:** Diverse group of deformities in the growth of the head and facial bones

- Cleft Palate (with or without cleft lip)
- Congenital Aural Atresia/Microtia
- Goldenhar Syndrome
- Pierre-Robin Sequence
- Treacher-Collins Syndrome

### **Neurocutaneous Syndromes:** Genetic disorders leading to tumor growth in the body which affects development

- Neurocutaneous Overgrowth Syndromes
- Neurofibromatosis
- Sturge-Weber Syndrome
- Tuberous Sclerosis

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### **Neuromuscular Disorders:** Affects nerves and impairs functioning of muscles

- Cerebral Palsy
- Connective Tissue Disorders
- Diaphragmatic Hernia
- Erb's Palsy/Brachial Plexus Injury
- Hemiplegia
- Mitochondrial Disorders
- Muscular Dystrophies
- Myopathies
- Skeletal Dysplasias
- Spinal Muscular Atrophy
- Tracheoesophageal Fistulae

### **Sensory Impairment:** Vision and hearing loss which may lead to learning and other delays

- Central Visual Impairment (Cortical–Cerebral)
- Legal Blindness (visual acuity of <20/200 in the better eye with corrective glasses or contact lenses)
- Ocular Albinism
- Optic Nerve Hypoplasia (ONH)
- Retinopathy of prematurity (with laser treatment)
- Septo-Optic Dysplasia (SOD)
- Unilateral or Bilateral Hearing Loss

**NOTE:** Failing the newborn hearing screening is not a Part C referral until hearing loss is confirmed.

### **TORCH Infections and Other Perinatal Infections:** Perinatal infections which can lead to fetal anomalies

- Congenital Cytomegalovirus (CMV)
- Herpes
- Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
- Rubella (German Measles)
- Rubeola (Measles)
- Syphilis
- Toxoplasmosis

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#### Other Disorders or Conditions Associated with Developmental Delay:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
- Childhood Cancers
- Cool Cap/Total Body Cooling
- Cyanotic Heart Disease
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation (ECMO)
- Extreme Prematurity ( $\leq$  1,000 grams/2.20 pounds or  $\leq$  27 weeks gestation – up to 18 months corrected)
- Failure to Thrive (requiring treatment)
- Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
- Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy
- Inborn Errors of Metabolism (e.g., PKU, Fatty Acid Disorders)
- Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS)
- Nasogastric (NG)-tube/Gastrostomy (G)-tube feeding with or without IV-TPN infusion
- Single Gene Mutations associated with Rare Genetic Disorders
- Tracheostomy

#### Additional Information:

Please note that the categories listed above are not an all-inclusive list of conditions that qualify for automatic eligibility. NEIS physicians are encouraged to use sound clinical judgment when making eligibility decisions. If you have questions or need further clarification, please consult with a NEIS physician.

**Important:** If a child is no longer considered eligible for early intervention services, due to insufficient supporting documentation or a determination based on informed clinical opinion, the child may be exited from the program through the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) review process.