

Each of the 7 key principles can be “Cross-walked” to one of the points in the definition of Medically Necessary Service

| 7 key principles – which ones relate? (All 7 Principles are represented) | Components of Medically Necessary Service | How does this apply to IFSP Outcomes and Procedures? |
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| #1 Infants and toddlers learn best through everyday experiences and interactions with familiar people in familiar contexts. |  <p>Safe and EFFECTIVE</p> | Effective = outcomes and procedures address family routines and daily activities so families are able to enhance the development of their child. |
| #4 The early intervention process, from initial contacts through transition, must be dynamic and individualized to reflect the child’s and family members’ preferences, learning styles and cultural beliefs. #5 IFSP outcomes must be functional and based on children’s and families’ needs and family-identified priorities. |  <p>Consistent with the symptoms and/or diagnosis of the condition under treatment</p> | “Symptoms” is interpreted as the child’s functional abilities in daily routine. Outcomes and procedures address family routines and daily activities so families are able to enhance the development of their child. |
| #7 Interventions with young children and family members must be based on explicit principles, validated practices, best available research, and relevant laws and regulations. |  <p>Consistent with generally accepted professional medical standard</p> | IFSP team members are well trained in both their discipline and in infant toddler development and are from the disciplines appropriate to the child needs. |
| #1 Infant and toddlers learn best through everyday experiences and interactions with familiar people in familiar contexts. #2 All families, with the necessary supports and resources , can enhance their children’s learning and development. #3 The primary role of a service provider in early intervention is to work with and support family members and caregivers in children’s lives. #6 The family’s priorities, needs and interests are addressed most appropriately by a primary provider who represents and receives team and community support. |  <p>Furnished at the most appropriate level of care</p> | Outcomes and procedures relate directly to the referral concerns, needs, family priorities and functional abilities of the child. |
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