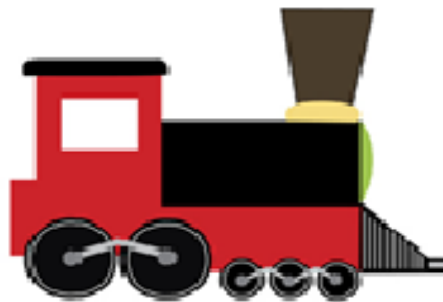


# Preschool Early Intervention

## ELWYN ELIGIBILITY TRAIN



A Guide to Eligibility and  
Preschool Early Intervention

ENGAGE. EMPOWER. ENRICH.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR EARLY  
DEVELOPMENTAL SUCCESS (SEEDS)

Elwyn SEEDS Early Intervention  
Main # (215) 921-7164

SC: Service Coordinator  
SI: Special Instructor  
SLP: Speech-Language Pathologist  
PT: Physical Therapist  
OT: Occupational Therapist  
PP: Parent Partner

Admin. Offices: 4040 Market Street  
MDE/IEP: 4025 Chestnut Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19104  
Intake Line (215) 222-8054  
Parent Partners (215) 222-4181

<http://www.elwyn.org/program/seeds>

### INFANT/TODDLER Early Intervention

#### Eligibility (0-3):

Who is eligible for Birth to 3 early  
intervention services in PA?

**INFANTS AND TODDLERS:**  
(e.g., birth to three years old)

#### Infants and Toddlers who have:

A significant delay in one or more  
areas of development;

OR

A specialist's determination that there  
is a delay even though it does not show  
up on the assessments (called  
informed clinical opinion);

OR

Known physical or mental conditions,  
which have a high probability for  
developmental delays (such as Down  
Syndrome).

### PRESCHOOL Early Intervention

#### Eligibility (3-K): Two Pronged Decision

Who is eligible for PRESCHOOL early  
intervention services in PA?

**PRESCHOOLERS:** three to the  
age of beginners (the age of  
entrance into school-age  
programs)

#### Preschoolers who have:

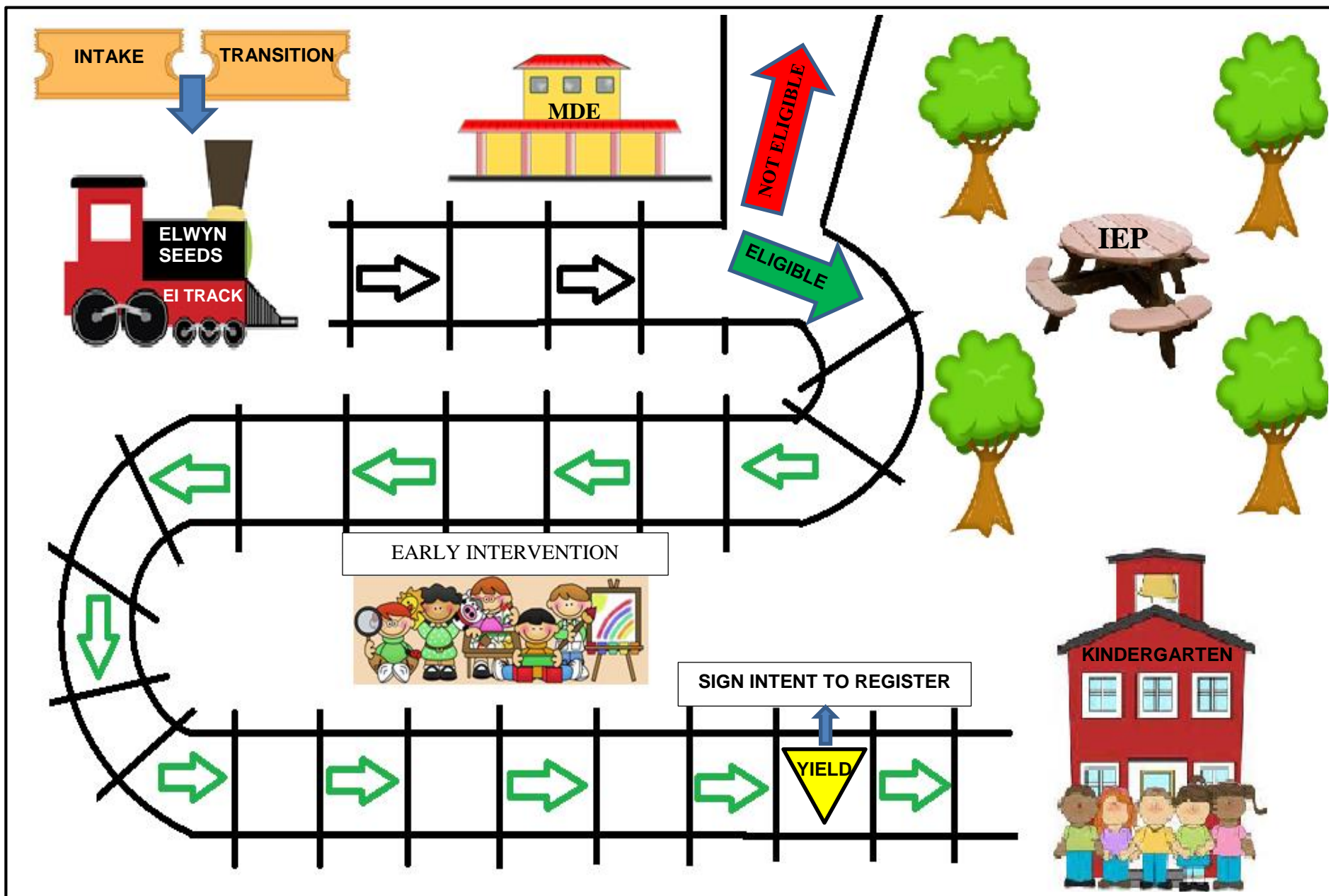
A significant delay (-1.5 standard  
deviations below the mean or 25%  
delay) in one or more areas of  
development compared to other  
children of the same age

OR

Any of the physical or mental  
disabilities as defined under IDEA  
(Individuals with Disabilities  
Education Act)

AND

Are in need of special education  
and related services



## ELWYN SEEDS Early Intervention Track

This map will show you the track your child will take as they begin their journey with Elwyn SEEDS Preschool Early Intervention. Your child will start their trip by going through the *Transition or Intake* process. The second stop on their journey will involve visiting our *Multi-Disciplinary Evaluation (MDE)* department. If your child is found to be eligible for special education services, they will continue along the track and visit our **Individualized Education Program (IEP) department** followed by their stop at **Early Intervention Services (EI)** where your child will receive appropriate services to meet their educational and developmental needs. Along the way, **Service Coordinators, Evaluators, Service Providers, and Parent Partners** will help guide you through this journey.

**Disability Categories:** In order to receive Early Intervention services, your child will be assigned one of the following 14 disability categories upon eligibility determination: **Autism; Deaf-Blindness; Deafness; Developmental Delay; Emotional Disturbance; Hearing Impairment; Intellectual Disability; Multiple Disabilities; Orthopedic Impairment; Other Health Impairment; Specific Learning Disability; Speech or Language Impairment; Traumatic Brain Injury; Visual Impairment Including Blindness.** For more information about Early Intervention services in Pennsylvania, visit <http://www.eita-pa.org/>.

**ELWYN SEEDS:** Maximizing potential through personal commitment, collective talents and innovation, Elwyn supports individuals with diverse challenges in shaping distinctive, meaningful lives.