



Child Care
Resource and
Referral Network



Navigating Acronyms

Feel overwhelmed by the alphabet soup of acronyms used at appointments and meetings for your child? **Child Care Answers** and **A Healthier Hamilton County** have teamed up to provide just a few of the most-used acronyms in early childhood mental health.

IFSP Individualized Family Support Plan

A written document through First Steps that lays out supports and services for young children (birth to age three) with developmental delays

IEP Individualized Education Plan

A written document that lays out special education instruction, supports, and services that a student (ages three to 21) needs to thrive in public education

BX Behavior Diagnosis

FBA Functional Behavioral Assessment

An evaluation and process that uses data to identify patterns in behavior and the purpose of behavior.

BIP Behavior Intervention Plan

A BIP follows an FBA. It is an agreed-upon plan that describes the pattern of behavior, the purpose of the behavior, and the positive interventions and supports to address the behavior.

DFR Division of Family Resources (AKA Medicaid Office)

Every county in Indiana has its own Medicaid office. You can apply online at indianamedicaid.com.

CANS Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths

An assessment tool used to assess the child's and the caregiver's needs and strengths to determine intensity of services

PBIS Positive Behavior Intervention and Support

A multi-tiered approach to support social-emotional development and behaviors in schools

CMHC Community Mental Health Center

CMHW Children's Mental Health Wraparound

Provides intensive wraparound services for youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED)

OHI Other Health Impairment

An umbrella term that encompasses a range of conditions such as ADHD, anxiety, epilepsy, etc.

Can't find the acronym?

Explore Indiana System of Care's complete list:

[Alphabet Soup of Acronyms](#)



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