

# because the early years matter!



Together we can help children reach their potential!

The first six years of a child's life has the greatest impact on their school performance, health and behaviours.

## Nipissing District Development Screens™

help determine whether a child's development is progressing as it should. The screens are checklists that require "Yes" or "No" answers to development questions. This helps parents/caregivers to know what to expect from a child at a specific age.

### Checklists are for the following ages:

1-2 months · 4 months · 6 months · 9 months ·  
12 months · 15 months · 18 months · 24 months ·  
30 months · 3 years · 4 years · 5 years · 6 years

Each checklist explores a child's development in the areas of: vision, hearing, speech, language and communication, physical movement, understanding, emotional awareness, interacting with others and independence. Checklists are available in several languages. Online Interactive Screens are also available by visiting [www.ndds.ca](http://www.ndds.ca), free of charge.

### Checklists:

- ✓ Are easy to use
- ✓ Provide age appropriate activities
- ✓ Encourage ways to comfort, play and teach children
- ✓ Encourage healthy growth and development

Talk to a health care professional or child care provider if you have any questions about a child's development or well-being.

To receive your free checklist(s) call  
**Health Connection 1-800-361-5653**  
TTY 1-866-252-9933

A Public Health Nurse will answer your questions, review the checklist, and link to community resources.

