



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5180.01 Department of children and youth.

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(A) The department of children and youth shall serve as the state's primary children's services agency and shall facilitate and coordinate the delivery of children's services in this state, including, but not limited to, those related to adoption, child care, child welfare, early childhood education, early intervention, foster care, home visiting, infant and early childhood mental consultation, and preschool special education.

(B) For purposes of this chapter and in addition to the services described in division (A) of this section, children's services include, but are not limited to, one or more government programs focused on any of the following:

(1) Adoption, child welfare, and foster care services;

(2) Early identification and intervention regarding behavioral health, including, but not limited to, early intervention services, early childhood mental health initiatives, multi-system youth services, and family support services administered through the Ohio family and children first cabinet council, Ohio commission on fatherhood, and children's trust fund board;

(3) Early learning and education, including, but not limited to, child care and preschool licensing, early learning assessments, head start, preschool special education, publicly funded child care, and the step up to quality program;

(4) Maternal and child physical health, including, but not limited to, infant vitality, home visiting, maternal and child health, maternal and infant support, and Medicaid-funded child health services.
