

## Developmental Screening

The children's development is monitored at regular intervals using Nipissing District Developmental Screening tool. Results are shared with families and children and families are supported in addressing any developmental delays.

Procedure:

- As a part of the registration process, parental permission will be obtained to monitor children's development using the Nipissing District Developmental Screening tool.
- Staff administering the developmental screening will be trained in child development and hold at minimum Child Development Worker (Level 2) certification.
- Screening will be implemented at the following ages: 12 months, 18 months, 24 months, 30 months, 3 years, 4 years, and 6 years.
- Results of the child's screening will be shared with parents and parents will be given one copy and a second copy will be kept in the child's file.
- In the event that there are developmental concerns, parents will be referred to an appropriate agency where a formal assessment can be done. A record of referrals will be placed in the child's file.
- The Centre will provide play experiences that support the child's development.
- Ongoing communication between the Centre, the family and professionals will enable us all to work together to promote the child's optimum development. The Centre welcomes participation of outside agencies to support the child, the family and the staff.
- Before sharing information about children with other professionals, parents will be asked to sign a permission form.