

## **What is Early Intervention?**

Early Intervention is specialized support to children and families in the early years of life (birth to school entry) to meet child's development, health and support needs.

'Early' refers to the most critical period of a child's development (birth to 3 years) and 'Intervention' means giving a child a variety of opportunity to experience, explore and play with things around.

Early Intervention (EI) services are special services for infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities or at risk for developmental disabilities.

Areas of intervention are as follows:

- **Physiotherapy** – It works on motor skills such as balance, sitting, crawling and walking.
- **Speech Therapy** – It works on Speech and language.
- **Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)** – It works on daily self care activities such as eating by self, bathing, dressing, grooming, cleaning oneself, defecating and leisure.

**Specialized support** – It works for specific support for specific disabilities like Autism Spectrum Disorder, Cerebral Palsy, Hearing Impairment and Vision Impairment.