

A Snapshot of the Five-Year-Olds in Our Community

Most of our children are doing **WELL**.
The percentages below represent
the children who are
developing appropriately.



communications skills
& general knowledge



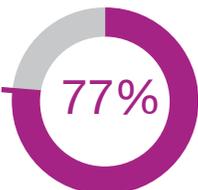
emotional maturity



physical health
& well-being



social competence



language &
thinking skills



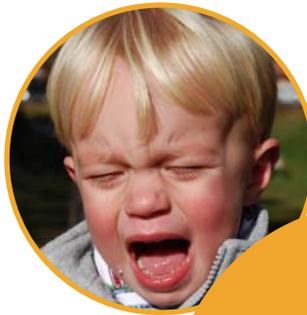
Some of our children are **NOT** doing
as well as we would like. They are
experiencing difficulties or great
difficulties in these areas:



emotional maturity



social competence



That means
1 in 3 children

find it hard to play with or
have empathy for others,
to talk about how they feel
and explore the world
around them.



NORTH EAST EDMONTON
Early Childhood Development Coalition



We work together using current
knowledge to inform, engage,
and inspire families and
communities to support the
development of young children
in North East Edmonton.

The findings are from the Early Child Development Mapping Project Community Information Package (2011).
www.ecmap.ca

www.needmontonecdcoalition.com

The First 2,000 Days of Life Shape a Child's Future

Early Child Development Matters

- It sets the path for a child's future.
- It lays the foundation for all later development and gets children off to the right start for a good future.
- It strongly influences success in school and work, mental and physical health, behaviour, relationships, and overall well-being.
- Early years last a lifetime: happy, healthy, successful individuals create stable and thriving communities.

Early Development Results Vary across the City, Province, and Country

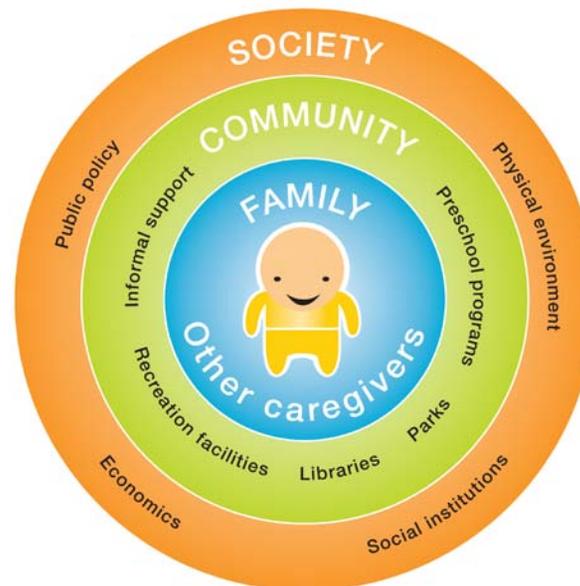
- The early development results raise questions about why the differences exist.
- Our challenge is to try to explain these differences. We are also finding ways to respond to the results.



Early Child Development Is Everybody's Business

Family, community, and society all play a role in helping children thrive and succeed.

The Coalition in North East Edmonton is gathering input on ways to strengthen early child development opportunities. We are also sharing findings from the Early Child Development Mapping Project (ECMap).



How Can You Help?

- Play with the babies and children in your life. Spending quality time with them will promote positive development.
- Share your skills, talents and passion by getting involved in your community.
- Study the Early Childhood Mapping data and share your perspective on the results.
- Use the data when making decisions about budgets, new programs, child friendly policies etc.
- Participate in your local coalition.

