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Learn About Early Developmental Intervention at the Stafford Branch, Ocean County Library

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP – What signals a need for literacy support in a child's first three years? What methods will be most effective? Find out during "What Is Early Intervention?" at the Ocean County Library Stafford Branch, 11 AM Monday, February 27.

In this one-hour program, Kathryn Hohner, MSW, of the Ocean County Health Department, and Mary McArdle, EIP Manager of RWJBH Children's Specialized Hospital, will demonstrate an early intervention session for parents and caregivers.

Infants develop skills at their own paces. The first three years are considered to be a critical development stage. The goal of New Jersey's Early Intervention is to help parents or caregivers concerned about possible developmental delays.

The presentation is part of OCL's *Milestones in Neurodiversity & Literacy to Grow* program, providing literacy-based services for the neurodiverse community, from birth to age five, through a Library Services and Technology Act 2022 (LSTA) grant administered by the New Jersey State Library, an affiliate of Thomas Edison State University.

LSTA 22 funds are awarded to library projects that address literacy needs including, but not limited to, early literacy, family literacy, adult literacy, digital literacy, and financial and English language learning activities. Awarded projects are designed to provide training or other literacy-focused support or activities for adults and/or children.

Funding for LSTA 22 grants is made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, with the purpose of addressing literacy needs and supporting literacy projects across the state.

Please register at www.theoceancountylibrary.org/events to attend this free program. For more information, visit the Stafford Branch, 129 North Main Street, Manahawkin, or call (609) 597-3381.

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