



# TECH FOR TYKES

## DID YOU KNOW...

There are products and professional services available to help a child age birth through two years with special needs to...

### **PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN**

**Playing**

**Exploring**

**Feeding**

**Communicating**

**Moving Independently**

### **IT'S CALLED ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY!**

But don't be put off by the long name. Assistive Technology (or AT) refers to skills and tools for adapting a young child's environment in order to support his/her ability to participate actively in the home, childcare program, or community settings. For young children, this often involves low tech adaptations such as helping a child to sit by building support into their highchair with towels, modifying their spoon by increasing the size of the handle, making pages of a book easier to turn by putting spacers between the pages, or helping a child feel an object they cannot see by adding texture to the object. It can also include more sophisticated devices such as computers, communication devices or mobility devices.

Assistive Technology can open up a whole new world for young children with special needs by helping them participate fully in play, learning, and every day routines and activities.

### **How do I learn more?**

Any child who is eligible for the Early Intervention Colorado program may be eligible for Assistive Technology services. For more information you can contact any of these agencies:

#### **Assistive Technology Partners**

Call Brian Burne at 303-315-1287  
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#### **Early Intervention Colorado**

1-888-777-4041

[www.eicolorado.org](http://www.eicolorado.org)

#### **Your local Community Centered Board**

[http://eicolorado.org/files/directory\\_partc.pdf](http://eicolorado.org/files/directory_partc.pdf)



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