**Understanding the Early Start Program Thursday September 26, 2019 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

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*Offered for FIRST 5 Partners and other local professionals such as Social Workers, Home Visitors, Childcare and Preschool providers, Family Resource Center staff, and Therapeutic Service Providers. Parents are also welcome.*

Children from birth to age 5 may have unidentified developmental delays/special needs, and professionals/childcare providers need an introductory-level workshop about the details of the Early Start Program and how to refer these children and families in a timely fashion.

This presentation will begin with a basic overview of eligibility for Early Start and the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). It provides a foundation in understanding the transition steps as well as the similarities and differences between early intervention and special education programs.

**Location:** Parents Helping Parents in the Sobrato Center for Nonprofits-San Jose 1400 Parkmoor Avenue San Jose, CA 95126

**Registration:** Go to [www.php.com](http://www.php.com), select September 26 on the PHP calendar.