

Find the support your child needs from birth through age five.

We connect families with South Carolina's public services for young children.





What is

First Five South Carolina?

First Five SC transforms the way families access publicly funded early childhood programs and services in South Carolina. Through a single online portal, families and their advocates can find information about child care, health, early intervention, nutrition, and parenting support programs in their area.

What is the **Purpose?**

First Five SC engages parents and caregivers as active partners in making South Carolina's early childhood system work for young children and families. By streamlining the search and application process, First Five SC helps families better understand their options and choose the programs and services that best meet their needs.

Whom does it **Serve?**

Parenting young children is multifaceted and families are usually dealing with more than one need at any given time. First Five SC accommodates the real life complexities of families by providing cohesion between publicly funded early childhood programs and services in South Carolina. By answering a few questions, families and their advocates can locate publicly funded early childhood services that they may qualify for in their area.

First Five SC Early Childhood Services

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Includes 60 programs and services across 10 state agencies.

- Children's Trust of SC
- SC Dept. of Disabilities and Special Needs
- SC Dept. of Education
- SC Dept. of Health & Environmental Control
- SC Dept. of Mental Health
- SC Dept. of Social Services & Head Start Collaboration Office
- SC Educational Television
- SC First Steps
- SC School for the Deaf and the Blind
- SC State Library



Increased access = Increased potential for South Carolina's children





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