



Resources At the Center

- Developmental screenings and assessments help determine each child's needs
- Individualized behavioral support strategies for school and home
- Social service resource information
- Transition planning support and linkages with Head Start and PreK services
- Ongoing opportunities to meet and strategize on each child's educational needs and linkages to services
- Information about alternative educational options for your child

The Linda Ray Intervention Center (LRIC) is a University-based Multidisciplinary Educational Service Center within the Department of Education's Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System. Additionally, the LRIC is one of the five Early Intervention Birth-Two Programs in Miami within the state's Early Steps program for young children with disabilities. The LRIC is part of the Department of Psychology within the College of Arts and Sciences. The mission of the Linda Ray Intervention Center is to support and facilitate positive developmental outcomes, thereby improving young children's chances for school readiness.

Partnership for a Healthier America

Supporting America's Move to Raise a Healthier Generation of Kids



The threat of childhood obesity to the health of our children and the health of our nation has never been greater. Over the past three decades, childhood obesity rates in America have tripled. Today, almost one in every three children in our nation is obese or overweight. The numbers are even higher in African American and Hispanic communities, where nearly 40% of the children are overweight or obese. If we don't solve this problem, one third of all children born in 2000 or later will suffer from diabetes at some point in their lives. Many others may face chronic obesity-related health problems like heart disease, high blood pressure, cancer and asthma.

First Lady Michelle Obama recognizes this threat, and has taken up the cause with her Let's Move! initiative, encouraging families across the country to commit to living healthier lives. **The Partnership for a Healthier America** supports the First Lady's cause by encouraging, tracking and communicating commitments to healthier lifestyles from partner organizations - commitments that align with the priorities of the Partnership for a Healthier America.

The Partnership for a Healthier America fills a unique niche among childhood obesity initiatives across the United States. In collaboration with *Let's Move!*, the Partnership will work alongside the Federal government to build target industry-specific solutions to fight obesity that can be measured and tracked. Rather than award grants, engage in policy discussions, or develop programmatic activities, the Partnership concentrates on mobilizing leadership from across sectors and at every level to take action that can have a significant impact on organizational goals.

The threat of childhood obesity is real, and will remain until we take action. The *Let's Move!* initiative has gotten us started; now the Partnership is ready to help mobilize the nation to curb childhood obesity within a generation. (<http://www.letsmove.gov>)



June 2014

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Child Welfare Bill CS/SB 1666 requires children in child welfare system to be referred for developmental screenings

CS/SB 1666 makes numerous changes to statutes designed to protect children from abuse and neglect. The bill requires referrals to local child developmental screening programs, under certain circumstances. The bill requires improvements in the care of medically complex children and the investigation of child abuse cases involving such children

Section 8:

Requires the DCF or the sheriff providing child protective investigative services to refer the parent to a local child developmental screening program, such as the Child Find program of the Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resource System, for screening of the child if a delay or disability of the child is suspected.

Section 39. Creates section 409.996, F.S., to:

Require the DCF to develop and implement statewide and local interagency agreements to coordinate services for children and parents involved in the child welfare system who are also involved with the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Education, the Department of Health, and other governmental organizations that share responsibilities for children and parents in the child welfare system.

Learn-to-Swim Programs and Pools

Learn-to-Swim

Miami-Dade County Parks 'Learn-to-Swim' classes are taught by certified American Red Cross Water Safety Instructors. 'Learn-to-Swim' classes include Parent and Tot (ages 2 - 5), Levels 1-6 (ages 6 -18) and Adults. For more information or to register, contact the pool of your interest.

Pools

Miami-Dade County Parks' pools are open for swimming, fun, exercise programs and 'Learn-to Swim' programs. Fees vary for each facility. Pool lifts are available at ALL pools. Call the pool of your choice for more information.

(* Pool offices at these locations are seasonal.

- ◆ A.D. Barnes Pool, 3401 SW 72 Ave., 305-665-1626
- ◆ Arcola Pool, 1680 NW 87 St., 305-691-5104*
- ◆ Goulds Pool 21805 SW 114 Avenue 305-233-0537
- ◆ Gwen Cherry Pool, 7090 NW 22 Ave., 305-691-2439*
- ◆ Helen Sands Pool, 16350 SW 280 St., 305-248-1386*
- ◆ Little River Pool, 10525 NW 24 Ave., 305-696-7651*
- ◆ Naranja Pool, 14150 SW 264 St., 305-257-0404*
- ◆ Palm Springs North Pool, 7901 NW 176 St., 305-558-3762
- ◆ Rockway Pool, 9460 SW 27 Ave., (305) 223-8742
- ◆ Sgt. Joseph Delancy Pool, 14375 Boggs Dr., 305-238-5692*
- ◆ Tamiami Pool, 11201 SW 24 St., 305-223-7077
- ◆ Tropical Estates Pool, 10201 SW 48 St., 305-221-5041*

<http://www.miamidade.gov/parks/learn-to-swim-program.asp>

How our services are unique:

The Center provides specialized, multidisciplinary services that include:

- Direct services to children, youth, families, and educators to improve student outcomes.
- ◆ Multidisciplinary diagnostic evaluation services for children and adolescents with complex educational, behavioral, medical, and socio-emotional problems impacting learning and acquisition of skills.
- ◆ Direct intervention and consultation services for families and children aimed at improving student learning, skill development, and outcomes through implementation of evidence-based interventions.
- ◆ Classroom observations of individual students to build a collaborative action plan intended to improve instructional delivery and student success.
- ◆ Technical assistance to individual teachers for implementing recommended interventions and strategies.

Findings of evaluation surveys 2014:

97% of parents and school personnel stated they were highly satisfied with our services and 97% said they would recommend the services to others.

CENTER NAME: FDLRS/UM Multidisciplinary Center

LOCATION: UM/Linda Ray Intervention Center, 750 NW 15th Street, Miami FL 33136-1431

PRIMARY SERVICE AREA: Miami-Dade, Broward and Monroe Counties

SERVICES: Multidisciplinary evaluation and consultation services for children with complex learning, behavioral, medical, and socio-emotional problems, their families, teachers, and schools; parent education and support services; and in-service training to educators and other community professionals. Additional targeted support services for children developmentally impacted by parental substance abuse, child maltreatment and foster care.

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