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# Sample Individualized Family Service Program

## I. Child and Family Information

Child's Name Maria Ramirez Date of Birth 12-14-05 Age in Months 30 Gender F  
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Bruce & Catherine Ramirez Address 2120 Valley Park Place Middletown, IN 46810  
Street City Zip Code  
Home Telephone No. (513) 555-0330 Work Telephone No. (513) 555-1819  
Preferred Language English Translator Appropriate  Yes  No

## II. Service Coordination

Coordinator's Name Susan Green Agency Indiana Early Intervention Program  
Address 105 Data Drive Burlington, IN 46980 Telephone No. (513) 555-0214  
Street City Zip Code  
Appointment Date 6-10-08

## III. IFSP Team Members

Name	Agency	Telephone No.	Title/Function
<u>Susan Green</u>	<u>Indiana Early Prevention (EI) Program</u>	<u>513-555-0214</u>	<u>Service Coordinator</u>
<u>Mr. and Mrs. B. Ramirez</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>513-555-0330</u>	<u>Parents</u>
<u>Barbara Smith</u>	<u>Indiana EI Program</u>	<u>513-555-0215</u>	<u>Speech/Language Pathologist</u>
<u>Martha King</u>	<u>Indiana EI Program</u>	<u>513-555-0213</u>	<u>Occupational Therapist</u>
<u>Libby Young</u>	<u>Middletown Preschool Program</u>	<u>513-555-3533</u>	<u>Preschool Teacher</u>

## IV. Review Dates

Date of IFSP 6-10-08 Six-Month Review 12-10-08 Annual Evaluation \_\_\_\_\_

## V. Statements of Family Strengths and Resources

Maria's parents are well-educated professional individuals with realistic goals for her educational development. The entire family unit, including her grandparents, are committed and motivated to assist her in any way. Because of the family's geographic location, limited resources are available for service delivery at this time.

## VI. Statements of Family Concerns and Priorities

### CONCERNS

Due to Maria's medical diagnosis of Down syndrome, her parents are concerned about appropriate early intervention services to assist in ameliorating her developmental delays. Additionally, the parents have stated a reluctance about a change in Maria's service delivery in her natural environment (i.e., her home) to a noninclusive center-based program.

### PRIORITIES

The priorities that Maria's parents have for her include improving her communication skills, her ability to use utensils, and her toileting skills. They want services to be delivered at home with the goal of an inclusive placement with nondisabled peers who attend a neighborhood preschool. Her parents and grandparents want to learn ways in which they can help to facilitate Maria's development in her natural environment.

## VII. Child's Present Level of Development and Abilities

### Cognitive Skills (Thinking, reasoning, and learning)

Maria's cognitive abilities are commensurate with a 20-month-old child. She's extremely inquisitive and understands simple object concept skills. Imitative play is consistently observed; however, discrimination of objects, persons, and concepts continues to be an area of need.

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### Communication Skills (Understanding, communicating with others, and expressing self with others)

Communication/language competency skills appear to be similar to that of an 18-month-old toddler. Her receptive language is further developed than her expressive abilities. Primitive gestures are her primary mode of communication. She consistently exhibits a desire/interest to interact with others. Verbal responses primarily consist of vocalizations and approximations of single word utterances (e.g., ma-ma, da-da, ba-ba).

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### Self Care/Adaptive Skills (Bathing, feeding, dressing, and toileting)

Feeding, in general, such as drinking from a cup and finger feeding, is appropriate at this time. A great deal of assistance from caregivers is still required for daily dressing tasks and toileting.

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### Gross and Fine Motor Skills (Moving)

Maria appears to be quite mobile. She is adept at rambling and walking, but needs to improve muscle strength and endurance. She enjoys movement to music. She can scribble, grasp large objects, turn pages of books, and prefers using her right hand while performing tasks. She needs to work on her ability to use utensils and writing tools.

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### Social-Emotional Development (Feelings, coping, and getting along with others)

Maria is a very happy, affectionate, and sociable child. She enjoys being the center of attention and engaging in interactive games; however, she appears content to play alone. Temper tantrums are triggered by frustration from her inability to communicate. Sharing and turn taking continue to be difficult for Maria.

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### Health/Physical Development (Hearing, vision, and health)

Maria's general health is good, but she has a history of chronic otitis media and upper respiratory infections. Vision and hearing are monitored frequently.

## VIII. Outcome Statements

1. Participate in stimulation of all language modalities (visual, auditory, tactile) in order to increase communication competency.

	<b>Strategies/Activities</b>	<b>Responsible Person/Agency</b>	<b>Begin Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>	<b>Frequency of Service</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
1.1	Maria will use word approximations combined with consistent gestures for 5 different needs across 3 different people and 2 different settings.	SLP	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Preschool Language Scale
1.2	Maria will use words combined with signs for 5 different needs across 3 different people and 2 settings.	Mom and Dad	6-10-08	12-10-08			Observation samples

2. Maria's daily self-care skills will improve in the areas of dressing and toileting abilities.

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2.1	Maria will push down/pull up undergarments with minimal assistance.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Observations
2.2	Maria will establish a consistent pattern of elimination.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Recorded data of frequency of elimination
2.3	Maria will spontaneously indicate by gesture and vocalization the need for going to the restroom.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Observation samples

3. Maria will develop improved abilities to discriminate auditory/visual stimuli.

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3.1	Indicate by pointing/verbalizing whether objects are the same or different.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Observations
3.2	Sort several colors and shapes consistently.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Observation samples
3.3	Imitate words and motions in songs upon being given a model.	Mom and Dad Service Coord.	6-10-08	12-10-08	Once Weekly	Home	Observation samples

## IX. Transition Plans

If eligible, the following steps will be followed to transition Maria Ramirez to Part B services on or about

CHILD'S NAME

12-15-08

PROJECTED TRANSITION DATE

1. The service coordinator will schedule meeting with parents to explain the transition process and rationale, review legal rights, and ascertain their preferences and need for support.
2. The service coordinator will arrange for Maria and her parents (and grandparents) to visit the center and meet teachers, staff, and children.

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3. The service coordinator will arrange for Maria to visit her classroom on at least three occasions in the month prior to her transition date.
4. At least 90 days prior to Maria's third birthday, the service coordinator will convene a meeting to further develop Maria's transition plan.

### X. Identification of Natural Environments

The home environment is considered to be Maria's natural environment at this time.

Justification for not providing services in natural environment: Not applicable.

### XI. Family Authorization

We (I) the parent(s)/guardian(s) of Maria Ramirez hereby certify that we (I) have had the opportunity to participate in the development of our (my) son's/daughter's IFSP. This document accurately reflects our (my) concerns and priorities for our (my) child and family.

We (I) therefore give our (my) permission for this plan to be implemented.  X     
YES No

Catherine Ramirez  
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

6-10-08  
DATE

Bruce Ramirez  
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN

6-10-08  
DATE

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