

## Infant Milestones

### Social and Emotional

- Responds differently to different people, may prefer primary caregiver
- Babbles to self and/or others when talked to
- Plays games with people (peek-a-boo, pat-a-cake, etc)
- Sensitive to and interested in the moods and activities of others
- Asserts independence
- Shows wide variety of feelings/used voice to express them
- Smiles at self in the mirror
- Sees difference between self and rest of world
- Music for dancing
- Allow opportunities for uninterrupted concentration
- Allow infant to interact with other children

### Movement

- Control of arms and legs
- Moving from place to place by rolling, creeping, crawling and walking
- Climbing on objects such as a slide
- Pulling self up
- Kicking and throwing balls or other objects
- Able to grasp objects with thumb and forefinger
- Able to put objects in a container
- Turning pages of a book

### Cognitive Development

- Can pick up and manipulate objects
- Remembers familiar things
- Imitates people and/or noises
- Begins to use language

### Intellectual

- Encourage curiosity by providing a variety of small objects of different textures, shapes and sizes
- Give plenty of opportunities for child to develop self help skills (ie. Move objects out of reach so that he/she has to move to get to them)
- Large beads for snapping together, building blocks, stacking and nesting toys
- Provide beginning sign language for infants