



DURHAM'S PARTNERSHIP FOR CHILDREN, A SMART START INITIATIVE

IMPACT REPORT: 04-05

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Quality of placements in regulated child care county-wide (1 star lowest, 5 star highest):

All children:

- 3.18 average star rating (as of 11/04)
- Children on subsidy: 3.45 average star rating

Direct impact of Smart Start Durham's Partnership for Children:

- 50 child care centers and homes increased their star ratings
- 1662 children were in facilities that increased their star ratings
- 2072 children received child care subsidy
- 2187 families learned about quality indicators for child care with referrals

HEALTH/EARLY INTERVENTION

County-wide 4% of children 0-5 were identified as having special/developmental needs and are receiving early intervention (as of 11/04)

Direct impact of Smart Start and Durham's Partnership for Children:

- 143 children received developmental screenings
- 346 children received specialized therapies and interventions
- 165 families of children with special needs received interpretation services permitting their children to receive specialized therapies and interventions.
- 2312 children benefited from nutrition training and/or consultation provided to their child care teachers, directors and food preparation staff.

FAMILY SUPPORT

Family support included home visiting, parent education, parent support groups, parent-child activities, family literacy programs, expanded child care resource and referral, and consultation and referral when a child shows challenging behavior in the child care setting.

Direct impact of Smart Start and Durham's Partnership for Children:

- 523 families participated in parent education activities
- 441 children were impacted by their participation.
- 144 families participated in family literacy activities at a family resource center
- 314 children were impacted by their participation
- 1535 families received an expanded child care resource and referral process
- 2088 children were impacted by that process
- 56 families received consultation and referral about their child's challenging behavior
- 56 children were impacted by that consultation and referral