

## Appendix 1: DMOC clinical care pathways

Program	Eligibility criteria	Format
<b>Early Intervention and Prevention Program (EIPP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referrals accepted up until child's fourth birthday</li> <li>Non-complex developmental difficulty of a mild to moderate nature in one or more domains which is not having a significant impact on the child's health or ability to function</li> <li>A GP referral* is not required unless the child is to see a paediatrician or medical officer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Health education session/s provide families with practical skills to assist with their child's developmental issue/s in the home environment.</li> <li>Where indicated, group or individual screening, assessment and intervention may be provided in place of health education sessions: e.g. for non-English speaking families or for specific conditions known to be better managed through direct intervention.</li> <li>Parents may re-contact the service via the CIO following attendance at HES after a pre-determined period* if strategies tried do not resolve the issue/s. Group or individual assessment and therapy may then also be provided.</li> <li>The number of treatment sessions is not limited but treatment must be goal-focused, not indefinite and in line with discipline-specific recommendations.</li> </ul>
<b>Multidisciplinary Early Intervention Team (MEIT)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referrals of a complex# developmental nature accepted up until child's fourth birthday</li> <li>Consultation with a paediatrician would usually be indicated for these children.</li> <li>A GP referral* is not required unless the child is to see a paediatrician or medical officer.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial case discussion followed by a maximum eight week timeframe~ for assessment, clinical discussion, feedback and goal-setting sessions with families and as well as childcare/ kindergarten staff if appropriate.</li> <li>The number of treatment sessions following the assessment and planning sessions is not limited but treatment must be goal-focused, not indefinite and in line with discipline-specific recommendations.</li> </ul> <p>~Dependent on the mix of health professionals available within the multidisciplinary team</p>
<b>Multidisciplinary Assessment and Intervention Program (MAIP)</b>  MS (0–<8 years) GC (0–10 years) SC (0–6 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referrals of a complex# developmental nature will be accepted for children who have had their fourth birthday but not yet reached their eighth birthday</li> <li>Consultation with a paediatrician would usually be indicated for these children. A GP referral* is necessary, if the child needs to be seen medically.</li> <li>A referral from another health professional (paediatrician, child psychiatrist, GP, CH/SHN) or guidance officer is required for this group.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initial case discussion followed by maximum eight week timeframe~ for assessment, clinical discussion, feedback and goal-setting sessions with families and school visit (for feedback as appropriate).</li> <li>Intervention must be goal-focused, not indefinite (time-limited) and in line with discipline-specific recommendations.</li> <li>If longer term intervention is required, referral will be arranged to private or other service providers.</li> </ul> <p>~Dependent on the mix of health professionals available within the multidisciplinary team</p>
<b>Families Program</b> [Gold Coast only]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Referrals accepted from CDABS clinicians only for families of children already accessing EIPP, MEIT or MAIP.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provided by SW and psychologist with post-graduate training in family therapy.</li> <li>Provides an opportunity for the family and wider family network to review its strengths and weaknesses in helping the child.</li> </ul>

^According to discipline requirements

\*Applies to those teams/services where appointments with paediatricians and medical officers are bulk-billed under Medicare.

#Developmental difficulties across three or more functional areas/domains including behaviour, impacting on the child's overall health and well-being in multiple settings with consideration given to the impact of pre-disposing psycho-social and environmental elements. Where relevant to a child's developmental difficulties, requirements for dietetics, audiology and/or podiatry services may be considered when determining the level of complexity.