

**281—67.5(279) Secondary eligibility.** The available funds shall be directed to serve parents of at-risk children aged birth through five years when children qualify in one or more of the secondary eligibility categories as follows:

1. Children who are abused.
2. Children functioning below chronological age in two or more developmental areas, one of which may be English proficiency, as determined by an appropriate professional.
3. Children born with an established biological risk factor, such as very low birth weight (under 1500 grams—approximately three pounds) or with conditions such as spina bifida, Down's syndrome or other genetic disorders.
4. Children born to a parent who was under the age of 18.
5. Children residing in a household where one or more of the parents or guardian:
  - Has not completed high school;
  - Has been identified as a substance abuser;
  - Has been identified as chronically mentally ill;
  - Is incarcerated;
  - Is illiterate;
  - Is a child abuser or spouse abuser; or
  - Is an English learner.
6. Children having other special circumstances, such as foster care or being homeless.

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