

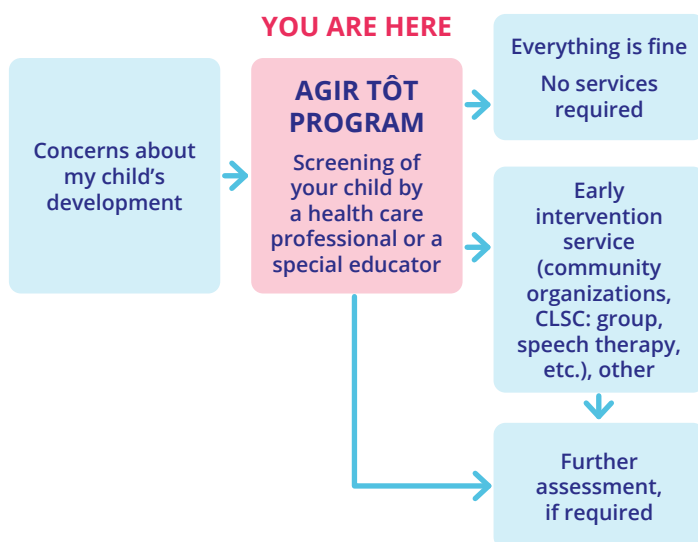
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The Agir tôt program aims to support the development of children's full potential from an early age. Early identification of difficulties that a child may encounter is key, so that they can get the support they need as quickly as possible. By acting early, with the appropriate resources, intervention can have a great impact on the development of your child's full potential and provide you with guidance as a parent.

Developmental screening is a good way to make sure that your child's development is on track. If you have any concerns in this regard, screening is a good way to get an overall picture of your child's development and put measures in place to help them, if necessary. Screening also makes it possible to detect certain developmental difficulties that may not yet be observable.

The Agir tôt screening looks at various aspects of your child's development, such as sleep, language, motor skills and socio-affective development. It will also monitor for signs of more specific disorders, such as autism spectrum disorder.



HOW IS THE SCREENING CARRIED OUT?

If a developmental screening is indicated for your child, a health care professional or a special educator will contact you. They will answer any questions you may have and obtain your consent to proceed. You will then receive an email that will provide you with a link to complete questionnaires on an online platform.

If you need help, a health care professional, a special educator or another designated person can assist you. These questionnaires are accessible from any computer, tablet, or even a smartphone.

Once you have completed the questionnaires, a qualified health care professional or a special educator will analyze the results. At this stage, they may contact you to ask you more questions, request your permission to contact your child's educator or teacher, or they may even wish to meet with you and your child. At the end of this process, the health care professional or the special educator will be able to present you with a picture of your child's development. When appropriate, they will explain to you the services that your child may benefit from and can also give you recommendations to help guide you at this initial stage.

Most children who are screened only need a helping hand to support their development. However, the screening may detect difficulties that are sometimes indicative of neurodevelopmental disorders (e.g., language impairment, attention deficit disorder with or without hyperactivity, autism spectrum disorder, etc.). In these cases, a more in-depth assessment may be recommended in order to better understand the causes of the difficulties and determine the most effective interventions.

The information collected through the Agir tôt program is confidential and may be disclosed only if both parents give their consent or in situations that are prescribed by the law.



CONSENT FOR THE AGIR TÔT DIGITAL PLATFORM

Please read this document carefully. If you have any questions or would like further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the Agir tôt team at:

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The Agir tôt platform provides the parents or guardians of children aged 0 to 5 years old with an interactive approach that involves filling out screening questionnaires on an online platform. The aim of these questionnaires is to provide a general picture of the child's development and detect any signs or symptoms of a potential problem. The screening questionnaires also make it possible, if necessary, to refer the child to the services best suited to his or her needs when necessary.

CONSENT PROCESS

Before you use the Agir tôt platform for your child's developmental screening, a health care professional or a special educator will contact you to answer your questions and obtain your verbal consent.

OTHER RESPONDENTS

If necessary, with your consent, people other than yourself can complete a questionnaire on the platform. They will be given a separate access to the platform in order to do so.

DATA COLLECTION AND RETENTION

The information collected on the platform includes information on the identity of your child and each of the respondents. It also contains the answers to the questionnaires that were provided by the respondents. This information is collected using a secure site that is managed by the ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux. The site is equipped with physical, administrative and technical security measures to protect the confidentiality of all the information it contains. The information you have provided will

remain on the platform and will be retained by the establishment that gave you access to the platform. It will be kept for a period of time that is determined in the establishment's rules and procedures regarding the retention of personal information.

ACCESS BY ANOTHER HEALTH CARE FACILITY

Employees from another health care facility may not access the information contained on the platform without obtaining your consent.

REPORT

The information provided in the questionnaires will be interpreted by a competent health care professional or special educator for the purposes of monitoring your child's development or screening their needs in order to refer them to the appropriate services. A report interpreting the results will be presented to you and will be placed in your child's central file.

ACCESSIBILITY AND USE OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE PLATFORM

A respondent cannot access answers provided by other respondents. In addition, if you have completed a questionnaire and wish to access the answers you provided, you must contact the facility's medical records department in order to do so. Furthermore, all the questionnaires you have completed will only be accessible to health care professionals or special educators who require the information to perform their duties.

WITHDRAWAL OF CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE

You may withdraw your consent to the services offered on the Agir tôt platform at any time. However, any questionnaires that have already been completed, as well as the information collected up to that point will be retained on the platform for the period of time determined in the establishment's rules and procedures regarding the retention of personal information.