

**Tri-County Community Council, Inc.**  
**Head Start/Early Head Start**

**Part:** 1302 Program Operations

**Subpart:** C- Education & Child Development Program Services

**Section:** 1302.35 Education in Home-based Programs

**Subject:** Home visit Experiences

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**Policy:**

Early Head Start Home-based program will provide home visits that focus on promoting high-quality early learning experiences in the home. The home visitor will use the goals described in the *Head Start Early Learning Outcomes Framework: Ages Birth to Five*, the *Partnering for Healthy Babies and Creative Curriculum for Infants Toddlers & Twos*, *Creative Curriculum Guide for the Home Visitor*, and *Teaching Strategies GOLD* to plan home visit activities.

**Procedure:**

1. The home visitor will provide age and developmentally appropriate and structured child-focused learning experiences for each child.
2. The home visitor will plan strategies and activities that enhance the parent's ability to support the child's cognitive, social, emotional, language, literacy, and physical development.
3. The home visitor will use strategies and activities that promote the home as a learning environment that is safe, nurturing, responsive, and language and communication rich.
4. The home visitor will use research-based activities for children who are dual language learners that recognize bilingualism and biliteracy.
5. For infants and toddlers, the home visitor will focus on the development of the home language, while providing experiences that expose both the parent and child to English.
6. For preschoolers, the home visitor will focus on both English language acquisition and continue to develop the child's home language.
7. The home visitor will follow up with parents to discuss learning experiences provided in the home between each visit, address concerns, and plan strategies to promote progress toward school readiness goals.