



We walk alongside you  
as you cherish the child  
in your home.

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CHERISH™

children encouraged by relationships in secure homes

## who we are

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CHERISH is an Early Intervention infant mental health home-visiting service for foster children ages 0-3 in King County.

## what we do

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We support the creation of attachment security and aim to decrease the number of unnecessary placement disruptions in a foster child's life.

We support reunifications whenever possible and encourage relationships between caregivers and birth parents. Interventions for each child-caregiver are individualized and include; listening to concerns, exploring possible solutions, and in-the-moment play and other regulating activities.

## who can help you

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CHERISH therapists have degrees in social work, special education, speech therapy, and occupational or physical therapy. Each CHERISH therapist has gone through specialized training and gets support from Kindering's CHERISH program.

## refer a child

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Children can be referred by anyone—their caregivers, pediatricians, or other professionals. Children are often referred to CHERISH by Children's Administration Child Health and Education Tracking (CHET) Screeners.

If you are not sure which CHERISH Early Intervention agency to call, please contact Kindering at 425 653 4321.



## our story

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In 2004, Kindering's clinical social work team developed CHERISH as a way to provide a safety net of early intervention services for foster children. CHERISH recognizes that all children in foster care can benefit from social/emotional support. With our expansion to multiple sites, over 300 foster children are served by CHERISH each year.

## our programs

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Agencies in King County with CHERISH programs include:

- Birth to Three
- Boyer Children's Clinic
- Children's Therapy Center
- Encompass
- Kindering
- Northwest Center
- Wonderland Developmental Center

## website

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To learn more about the CHERISH program, visit us online at [www.cherish-kindering.org](http://www.cherish-kindering.org)