



Foster Kinship and the Ackerman Center

REFERRAL PROCESS FOR FOSTER KINSHIP FAMILIES

1. To have your child referred for an assessment to the Ackerman Center, have a Medicaid Provider submit a referral to the *Ackerman Center for a Developmental Behavioral Pediatrician Evaluation*. (If the child has Medicaid, the referral needs to come from a Medicaid Provider like the child's pediatrician).
2. Inform Foster Kinship that a referral has been submitted **and** send us a copy of the referral if possible.
3. Begin getting copies of your child's most recent IEP (Individualized Educational Plan) or MDT (Multidisciplinary Team) paperwork, if they have any.
4. Wait for the Ackerman Center to contact you to register you in their system and send you a link to their portal to complete New Patient Paperwork.
5. Fill out the paperwork and submit copies of your child's IEP and/or MDT documents. Be sure to tell the Ackerman Center if your child doesn't have either of these.
6. Wait for the Ackerman Center to contact you to schedule an appointment.
7. Attend the appointment and follow through with any referrals the Ackerman Center provides you!

Disclaimer: Foster Kinship **cannot** guarantee an appointment with the Ackerman Center.

