

Fact Sheet

EDI – Early Development Instrument Assessment of School Readiness at the Community Level

- **Who is behind the EDI assessment in King County?** Public Health – Seattle & King County and United Way of King County are the initiators
- **Want more information?** Kathryn Horsley at 206 296-2789 or kathryn.horsley@metrokc.gov
- **Which local school districts have already implemented this EDI assessment?** Bellevue and Shoreline in 2004
- **When will the next wave of EDI assessment be carried out?** February/March of 2005

Is it possible to have a presentation on the EDI made to other school districts that might be interested? YES! Contact Kathryn Horsley

- **Do school districts have to fund their own EDI assessment?** No, private and public funders are being approached to get this system of school readiness up and running
- **Is this assessment done on a sample of kindergarten children or all kindergarten children?** All children are included so that every neighborhood can get a complete picture of how their children are doing and where the gaps are
- **Is it possible to get EDI scores for individual children?** NO, the EDI is not designed for reporting on individual children, but is designed to measure how groups of children in neighborhoods are doing on five domains of childhood development.
- **How can I learn more about how the EDI information has been used by communities to improve school readiness?** Go to this website to learn how British Columbia communities have been making changes based on the EDI: www.earlylearning.ubc.ca/mapping