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## Excerpt from abstract:

Noting that current programs for young children outside the home lack a comprehensive infrastructure or support system to stand behind the delivery of services to the child and family, this paper proposes the development of a support infrastructure designed to provide continuing and effective assistance to those who work with young children.

The paper notes that a support system for early childhood services would include the following components:

(1) personnel preparation
 (2) technical assistance
 (3) applied research and program evaluation
 (4) communication
 (5) demonstration
 (6) data systems
 (7) comprehensive planning
 (8) coordination of support elements
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