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To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify for Early Childhood CARES.

I'm here on the behalf of a mom who's child was born with a heart condition and referred to Early Childhood CARES by the hospital. A few days after he was born, he had a minor stroke leading him to a 3 heart surgeries, feeding by e-tube and a tracheotomy. The first service he received from Early Childhood CARES was occupational therapy which helped him to learn to coordinate his body movement. At the age of two he was able to walk and explore his environment. Receiving services from Early Intervention and Early Childhood especial Education has given him the opportunity to attend a pre-school four days at week and able to interact with other children. This boy's mom has asked me to relate this message to you, "I would like to thank Early Childhood CARES for the support it has given to my boy which allows him to flourish." I would like to say, when my boy was born I didn't have any hopes that my son will have a normal life but with the help of Early Childhood CARES I see a light in his future.

Guadalupe Moreno