

**Somerset County  
Parents as Teachers  
(PAT) Program**

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*Ensuring a Legacy of Health  
One Family at a time*

## What is the Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program

Parents As Teachers is a voluntary program that provides home visiting services to families in Somerset County. This free program will help you and your baby get off to a good start. A Parent Educator will make home visits to offer information on raising babies/children and child development, and to refer you to services within the community.

The program believes that parents are their children's first and most important teacher.

*(Bilingual staff available)*



## As a Parents as Teachers family you receive:

**Personal Visits** by a parent educator will share age-appropriate child development and parenting information, help you learn to observe your child, and address your parenting concerns.

**Parenting group meetings** to provide parents with an opportunity to share information about parenting issues and child development. Parents learn and support each other, observe their children with other children and practice parenting skills.

**Screenings** to assess your child's overall development as well as health, hearing and vision.

**Resource network** that links your family to other community services.

## Parents as Teachers is here to help you!

For more information about Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program in your neighborhood, contact.

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You and your baby deserve the support Parents as Teachers offers.  
Give your child the best possible start in life because **your baby was born to learn!**