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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 009-1990

**BASIC POLICY STATEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF EARLY
INTERVENTION SERVICES TO HANDICAPPED INFANTS AND TODDLERS**

By the authority vested in the Governor of American Samoa by the Revised Constitution and laws of American Samoa, it is hereby ordered as follows:

All children in American Samoa from birth through age 2, who are experiencing diagnosed developmental delay in cognitive development, physical development, language and speech development, psychosocial development or self-help skills, or who have a diagnosed physical or mental condition which has a high probability of resulting in developmental delay, and their families, are assured of receiving the benefits of public early intervention services will be provided through a territory wide system of coordinated, comprehensive and multidisciplinary interagency programs which shall include the 14 components required by U.S. Public Law 99-457 and be fully implemented not later than the beginning of the fourth year of participation by American Samoa in this program, October 1, 1990. Children in this age group who are at risk of having development delay, and their families, shall receive regular and systematic evaluation to determine their eligibility for this program.

This Executive Order supercedes Executive Orders No. 3-1989 and No. 5-1989 in their entirety.

Dated: June 6, 1990


PETER TALI COLEMAN
Governor of American Samoa