



All my life people have underestimated me.

you know me...

Having cerebral palsy has never slowed me down. Early intervention helped get me on the right path and with hard work I'm fulfilling my goals. I graduated in the top 10% of my high school class, earned a full tuition college scholarship and today I'm a business major at UAA.

Ninety percent of brain development takes place in the first three years of life. Early intervention services, such as speech and hearing services, family training and physical therapy, for children with developmental delays or disabilities increase their opportunities for leading successful lives.

For early intervention resources contact:

Governor's Council on
Disabilities
& Special
Education

(888) 269-8990 or
<http://hss.state.ak.us/gcdse>

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