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**Outline­**

**The Pre-Referral Process**:

Procedures for Supporting Students with Academic and Behavioral Concerns

* Module Description: This module highlights the benefits of the pre-referral process—a preventative approach that can eliminate inappropriate referrals to special education—and outlines the six stages most commonly involved in its implementation (est. completion time: 1 hour).

Challenge

* Video: Deborah Delatorre is new to Macy Middle School and new to…

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Initial Thoughts

* What is the pre-referral process?
* What are the stages of the pre-referral process and what do they involve?

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Perspectives & Resources

* Module Objectives
* Understand the purpose of the pre-referral process
* Recognize and be able to describe the six stages of the pre-referral process

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* Page 1: Overview of the Pre-Referral Process
* The private school where Ms. Delatorre previously worked had no…
* Mr. Young further describes the pre-referral process as a… [bullet points]
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	+ Link: RTI (Part 1): An Overview [IRIS Module]

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* Page 2: Goals and Benefits of the Pre-Referral Process
* Many variations of the pre-referral process are in use in schools…
* Besides helping to avoid inappropriate referrals, the… [bullet points]

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* Page 3: Six Stages in the Pre-Referral Process
* As Mr. Young explains the stages of the pre-referral process…
* Although schools might call their pre-referral teams by… [bullet points]

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* Page 4: Stage 1: Initial Concern
* The first stage in the pre-referral process, *initial concern*…
* Informal and Formal Concerns
* These kinds of initial concerns about a student are often… [bullet points]
* Activity
	+ Link: Click to open a helpful Warning Signs… [drop-down menu]
	+ Link: Click to open a Warning Signs answer key [drop-down menu]
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* Page 5: Stage 2: Information Gathering
* Next in the pre-referral process is the *information gathering stage*…
* Regardless of who collects it, it is important to… [bullet points]
* Besides informal assessments, teachers can use… [bullet points]
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* Page 6: Stage 3: Information Sharing and Team Discussion
* Once all of the relevant information has been collected, the next…
* Link: Click to view roster of a typical pre-referral team [drop-down table]
* Keep in Mind
* Any forms used during this stage should include… [bullet points]
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* For example, the team might try to ascertain whether… [bullet points]
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* Page 7: Stage 4: Discussion of Possible Strategies
* At their first meeting—and after they have discussed the information…
* Such accommodations might entail recommendations for… [bullet points]
* Keep in Mind
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	+ Click to view section of pre-referral meeting… [drop-down menu]

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* Page 8: Stage 5: Implementation and Monitoring of Strategies
* During the *implementation and monitoring of strategies stage*…
* Link: curriculum-based measurement (CBM) [definition]
* Link: behavior recording sheet [definition]
* Link: Progress Monitoring: Reading [IRIS Module]
* Link: Progress Monitoring: Mathematics [IRIS Module]
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* Page 9: Stage 6: Evaluation and Decision-Making
* During the final stage, *evaluation* and *decision-making*…
* Is the student making adequate progress in the classroom? [table]
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* Page 10: References & Additional Resources
* Suggested module citation
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Wrap Up

* Summary of the module
* Video: Listen to Don Compton, a professor at Florida State University…
* Revisit your Initial Thoughts responses

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Assessment

* Take some time now to answer the following questions.

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