

To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators  
From: Nathan DeDino  
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## ***MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR***

We are pleased to share with you the SFY18 EI one page summary report. During the previous year, Ohio's EI system received more than 27,000 referrals and served more than 22,000 children. Of those children served, nearly two-thirds had a least one substantial delay. Thank you for the work you do to support families in their support of their child's development! As we did last year, if you would like a similar report individualized for your county, please e-mail me by October 26.

I always invite your feedback. Do not hesitate to contact me at [nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov](mailto:nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov). I look forward to hearing from you.

## ***PROGRAM UPDATES***

### **November 1 LEA (*applicable to all counties*)**

The November 1 LEA quarterly report requirement is approaching. The report may be run in EIDS no earlier than October 22, 2018 and must be sent to the appropriate LEAs no later than November 1, 2018. Please do *not* submit copies to DODD, but you are encouraged to maintain copies on file.

If you are not sure which LEA should be selected for a specific child (e.g., foster care situation), we encourage you to contact the relevant Educational Service Center (ESC) for clarification. Contact information for all of the ESCs and public school districts, along with a map of districts, is available here:

<https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Data/Ohio-Educational-Directory-System-OEDS>

Please remember that parent rights apply to any shared information if personally identifying details are disclosed. Only the appropriate pages of the LEA Report should be sent to each LEA.

If you have any questions about the LEA reporting process, please contact Melissa Courts at [melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov](mailto:melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov).

### **EIDS Account Renewals Needed**

All DODD portal accounts, which are used to access the EIDS application, must be renewed on an annual basis, including the completion of a security affidavit. As the majority of EIDS accounts were created when the data system was moved from ODH to DODD, most EIDS accounts will be expiring in the coming weeks. Regardless of when you created your EIDS/DODD portal accounts,

we are asking that you go through the process to renew your account. Step-by-step instructions regarding how to renew EIDS accounts are available in the EIDS message box. If you have not already done so, please complete your renewal today. It is very important that you renew your account, as you will not receive notification that your account is expiring and will not be able to access the EIDS application without doing so. If you experience any issues in completing your account renewal, contact the DODD Help Desk at [ITSCallCenter@dodd.ohio.gov](mailto:ITSCallCenter@dodd.ohio.gov).

## ***RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES***

### **Trauma-Informed Care trainings 2018-2019**

DODD has partnered with Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Service Early Childhood Mental Health Master Trainers to present “Trauma-Informed Care in Early Childhood.” This training will explore the impact of toxic stress on development, how to respond appropriately to trauma, and how to use a trauma-informed perspective in working with very young children.

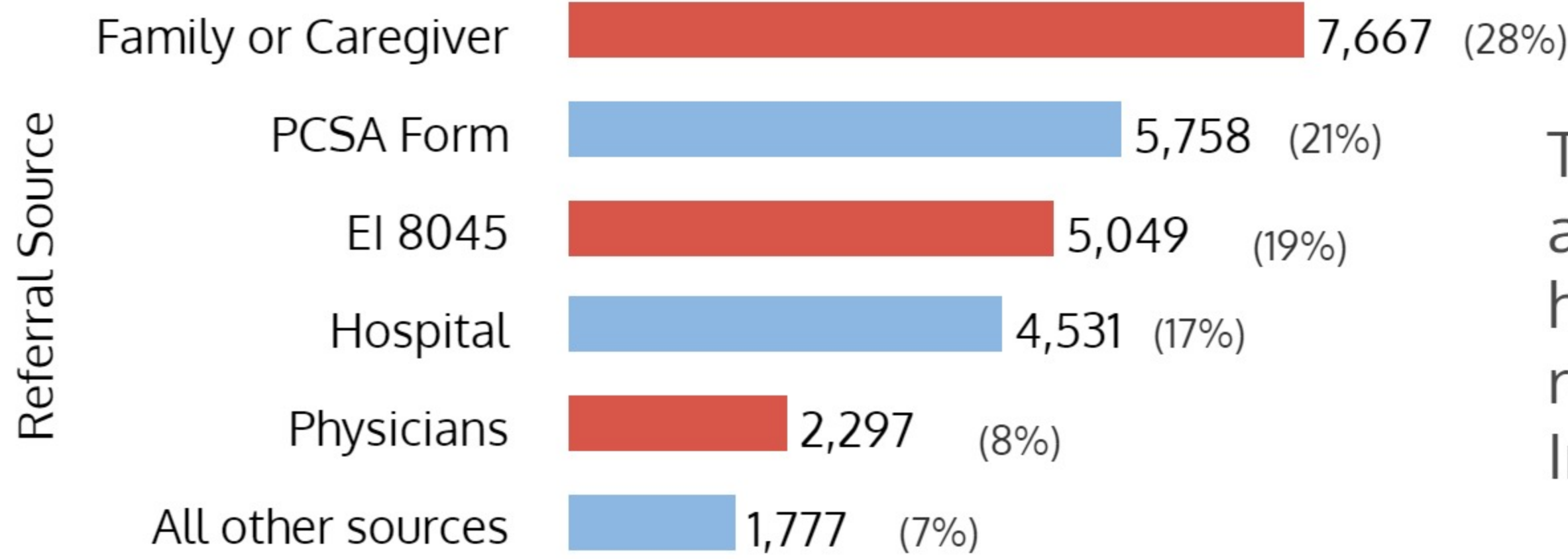
Sessions will be held at various locations in Ohio this autumn and next spring. Please see the list of available dates and locations below. All sessions are from 9:00am to 4:00pm and have been approved for 6.0 hours of DODD-EI DS and DODD-EI SC/SC Supervisor training credit. To register, please access OhioTRAIN and search for course #1072002.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
10/17/18	Summit Co
10/24/18	Belmont Co
11/7/18	Clermont Co
11/15/18	Wood Co
3/21/19	Ross Co
4/10/19	Champaign Co
4/11/19	Franklin Co
4/16/19	Athens Co
5/15/19	Fulton Co

If you have any questions, please contact Lori Myers at [lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov](mailto:lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov).

Early Intervention is a statewide system that provides coordinated early intervention (EI) services to families with children under the age of three with developmental delays or disabilities. The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) establishes EI programs in all 50 states. In Ohio, the Department of Developmental Disabilities serves as the lead agency for the EI program. Terms included here are defined in rule and can be found at [OhioEarlyIntervention.org](http://OhioEarlyIntervention.org).

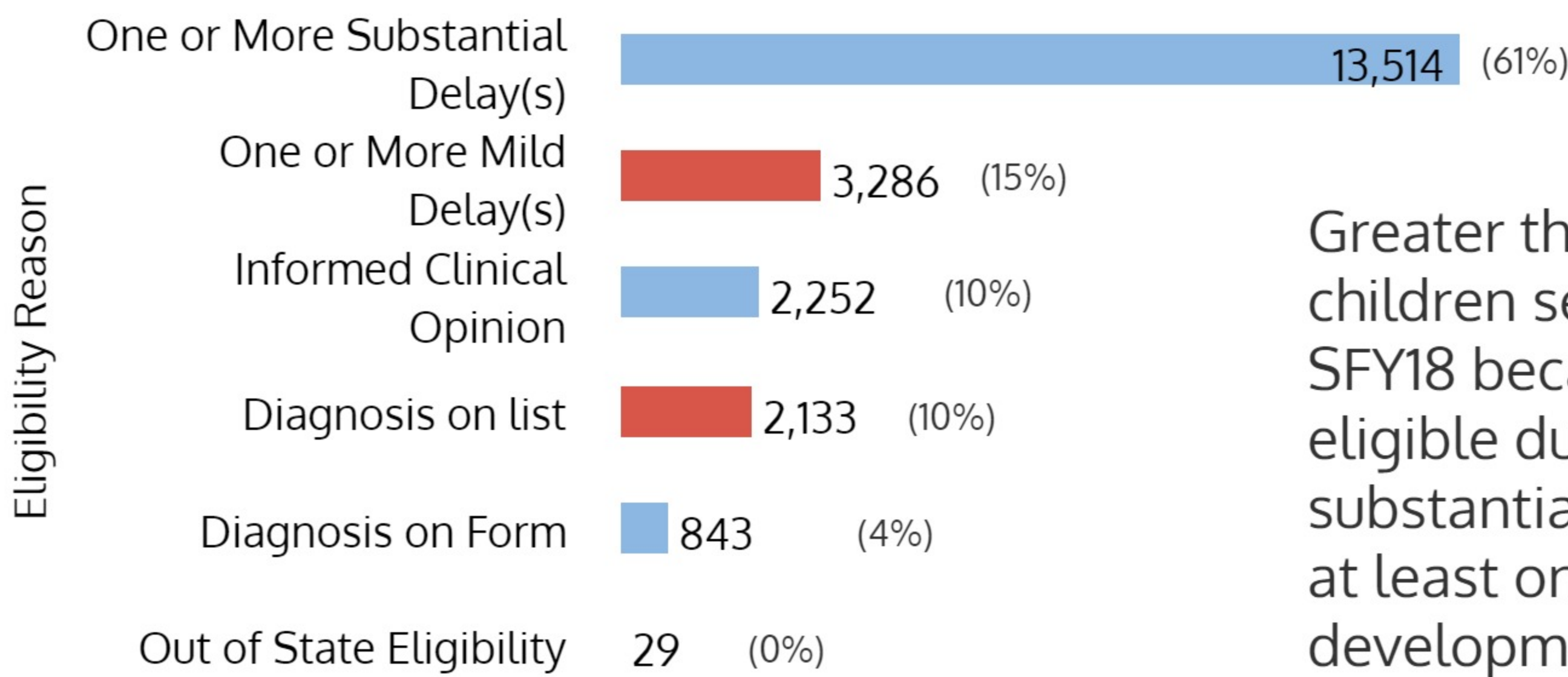
## Referrals



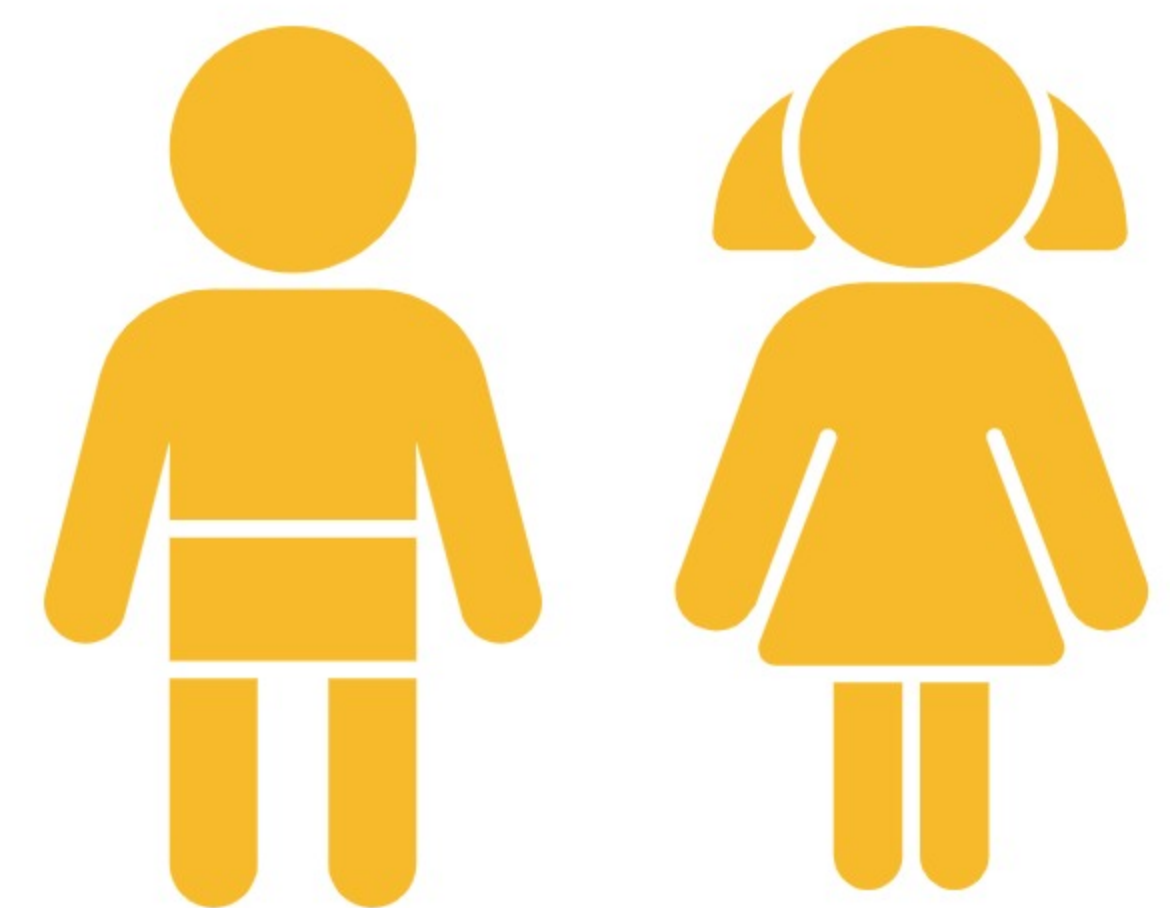
The family or caregiver accounted for the highest percentage of referrals (28%) to Early Intervention in SFY18.



## Children Served



Greater than 60% of children served in SFY18 became eligible due to a substantial delay in at least one area of development.



**22,057**

Total children served in SFY 2018

**10,628**

Average served at any given time

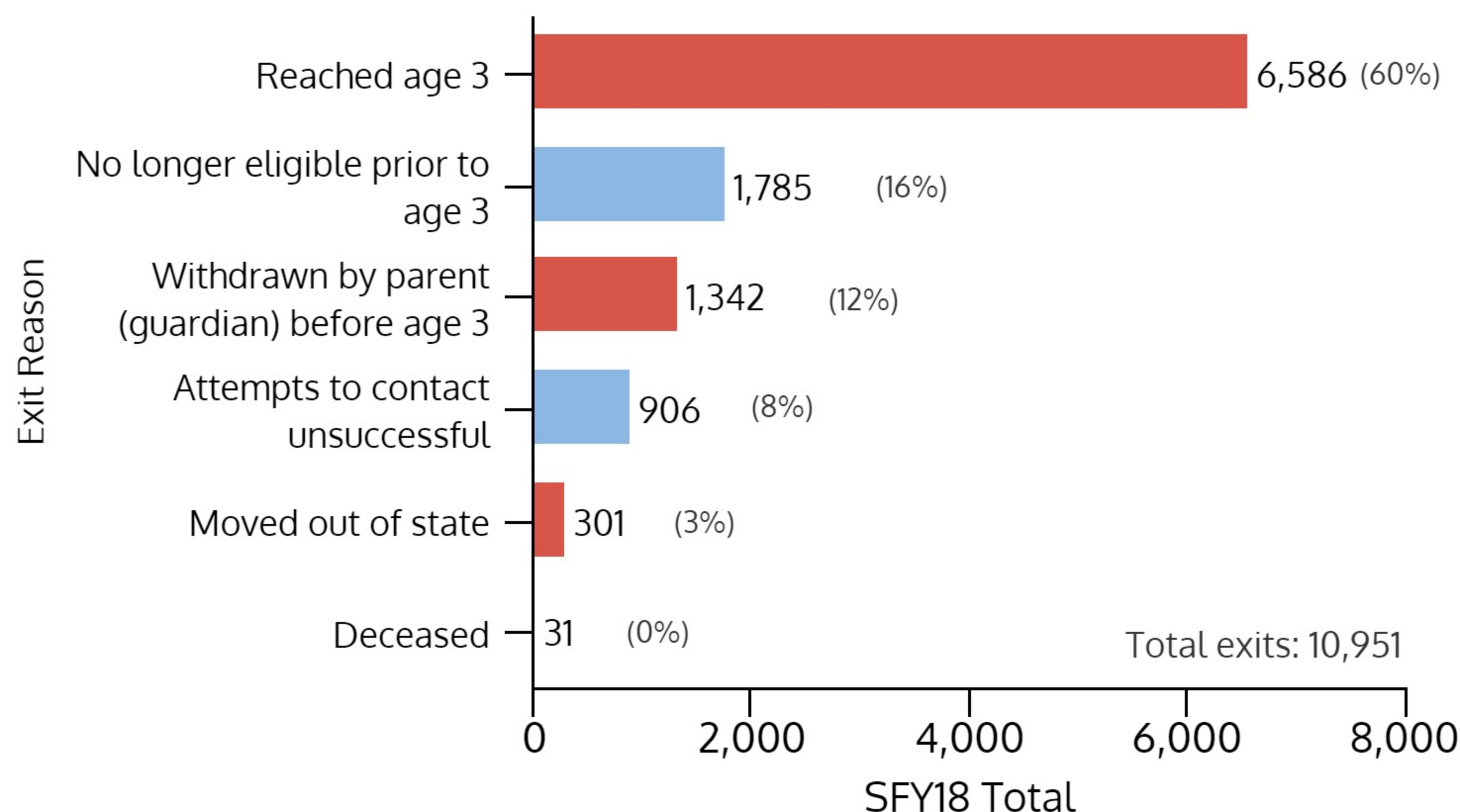
## Services on Initial IFSPs

Special Instruction	7,030	61%
Speech Therapy	3,001	26%
Physical Therapy	1,654	14%
Occupational Therapy	1,325	11%



Special Instruction was listed on 61% of the 11,558 initial IFSPs in SFY18.

## Exiting/Length of Stay



More than half (60%) of children exited EI in SFY18 due to reaching age three. Of all children who exited, the average age at the initial need for services (NFS) was 18.7 months and they were served in EI for nearly a year (11.1 months).

Average Age  
(at initial NFS)



Average Time in EI

