

To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators
From: Nathan DeDino
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Subject: Early Intervention Program Updates, #2015

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

Tomorrow is the first day of summer! During this unique summer, we appreciate the work you do to help families stay safe during the pandemic. In addition to COVID-19 safety tips, it is important not to forget about more general safety related to the summertime. [This resource](#) from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention may be useful in your work. Happy summer!

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

PROGRAM UPDATES

Joint Statement on Part C to B Transition

On June 17, DODD and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE), in collaboration with the Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB), released a joint statement on transition to the EI field and local educational agencies about children transitioning from Part C Early Intervention to Part B special education preschool during the pandemic. Please contact your EI program consultant if you have any questions. You can access the joint statement here:

<https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/communication/news/news-transitioning-serving-children-disabilities>

County Survey on EI and Technology

DODD thanks everyone for completing the survey about how families are receiving EI through technology! We greatly appreciate all your hard work and willingness to transition to tele-intervention so quickly. The information each county provided has helped us understand how evaluations, service coordination, and ongoing services are being conducted across the state during the current state of emergency. DODD EI staff have reviewed the responses, and we now have a better picture of where counties may need additional support. Over the next two weeks, program consultants will reach out to each county to discuss the survey and to provide any needed guidance or support. If you have not already done so, please be sure to check out this video message from DODD Director Jeff Davis about in-person visits in EI:

<https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/communication/news/news-director-davis-ei-visitation-guidance>

2020 EI Family Questionnaire

As described in EI Program Updates #2014, DODD will not be distributing a paper version of this year's Family Questionnaire. Instead, we will mail an information sheet about the Family Questionnaire, including how to access the survey online, to applicable families. Please ensure street addresses for families are up-to-date in EIDS. DODD will again be using the June 1 child count to determine the population of children/families who will be recipients of this year's questionnaire. Data for the June 1 child count will be extracted July 1, so please be sure any addresses are updated, as needed, by June 30.

OH|ID Changes

On June 29, Innovate Ohio will introduce new features for OH|ID and MyOhio users. Innovate Ohio is working to improve user experience including a new user dashboard. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Save the Date! Webinar on Engaging Families in Virtual Evaluation and Assessment

Mark your calendar for July 21 1:00-2:30pm for a new "Doughnuts with Di" webinar. Presented in a fun, talk-show format, a panel of EI leaders and providers will share their successes using technology to conduct evaluations and assessments. This will be a practical webinar about engaging families in real-world situations. Registration details coming soon.

Principles of Service Coordination: Registration Open!

The next cohort of the Principles of Service Coordination (POSC) course starts July 14. Registration for the live webinar for Module 1 is open now on MyLearning. Other course activities will not be available until July 14.

The course consists of eight modules, and modules 1-5 have a test out option. To be eligible to test out, you must have held an unexpired EISC or EISC Supervisor credential (of any tier) prior to July 1, 2019 and must still have an active EISC or EISC Supervisor credential.

If interested in testing out of Module 1, the test will be available Jun 30. You will have one opportunity to pass, and, if you do not pass the test, you will be required to take the module. CPDUs are not provided for any module for which you test out.

Completion of POSC is required for some EISC and EISC Supervisor credentials. Please see the Early Intervention Service Coordinator Credential Requirements document for more information:

https://ohioearlyintervention.org/storage/ocali-ims-sites/ocali-ims-oei/documents/5123-10-04SCCredentialsTABLE_7.1.19.pdf

If you have questions, please contact Lori Myers, lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov.



**Register
now!**



All sessions are from 8:30-10:00 a.m.

Jun 23 NAS and Developmental Stages, 6-12 months [Register](#)

Dr. Kathy Wedig and colleagues, Cincinnati Children's Hospital

Jun 30 Autism [Register](#)

Maggie Gons, OCALLI

Jul 14 Assistive Technology, Part 1: Overview [Register](#)

Dr. Philippa Campbell, Early Childhood Education Consultant

**Aug 11 Assistive Technology, Part 2: Morning/
Bed/Bath Routines** [Register](#)

Dr. Philippa Campbell, Early Childhood Education Consultant

Aug 18 Diagnosed Conditions [Register](#)

Sue Smith, BMCH

Aug 25 NAS and Developmental Stages, 12-18 months [Register](#)

Dr. Kathy Wedig and colleagues, Cincinnati Children's Hospital

**Sep 8 Assistive Technology, Part 3: Leaving the house/
Travel/Transportation** [Register](#)

Dr. Philippa Campbell, Early Childhood Education Consultant

Sep 22 Assessing Visual Impairments [Register](#)

Jenni Remeis, Ohio State School for the Blind

Oct 6 Assistive Technology, Part 4: Community Outings [Register](#)

Dr. Philippa Campbell, Early Childhood Education Consultant

Oct 20 Assessing Hearing Loss [Register](#)

Jackie Lucey, Family Child Learning Center

Oct 27 NAS and Developmental Stages, 18-24 months [Register](#)

Dr. Kathy Wedig and colleagues, Cincinnati Children's Hospital

**Nov 17 Assistive Technology, Part 5: Personal Care
Routines** [Register](#)

Dr. Philippa Campbell, Early Childhood Education Consultant



Doughnuts with Di



**Training Snippets
for Part C Assessors**

Jun-Nov 2020

