

To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators
From: Nathan DeDino
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Subject: Early Intervention Program Updates, #2025

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

Several weeks ago, Governor DeWine, along with First Lady Fran DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted, received their flu shots. Governor DeWine reminded us that, “While the flu can be deadly on its own, we also are concerned that Ohioans who get both the flu and COVID-19 at the same time could become severely, if not fatally, ill. Our youngest and oldest Ohioans, those who are pregnant, those in long-term care facilities, and those with chronic health conditions may be especially susceptible to severe illness or complications from the flu.”

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend that everyone six months of age and older receive an annual flu shot, with rare exceptions. The recommendation includes flu shots for pregnant women, whose vaccinations can protect their babies after birth. Anyone without a primary healthcare provider can visit vaccinefinder.org to find nearby pharmacies and other healthcare locations offering the flu vaccine.

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

SFY21 Baseline Monitoring Schedule

As in previous years, each county will be included in one of the three baseline monitoring analyses cohorts for SFY21. Group 2 will be included in the first analysis for SFY21, which will cover Timely Receipt of Services (TRS) for services due to start July 1 through September 30, 2020. Additional details will be sent to these counties in November, but programs can begin to review data in EIDS for accuracy. Group 1 counties will be involved in the Transition analysis (Transition Planning Conferences and Transition Steps and Services) and Group 3 will be analyzed for 45-Day timelines. The full schedule of baseline activities for SFY21 will be posted on the EI website in the coming weeks. The following is a list of counties by cohort:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Belmont	Allen	Adams
Carroll	Ashtabula	Ashland
Clark	Brown	Athens
Clermont	Butler	Auglaize
Clinton	Champaign	Coshocton
Franklin	Columbiana	Cuyahoga

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Gallia	Crawford	Defiance
Geauga	Darke	Erie
Greene	Delaware	Fayette
Henry	Fairfield	Hamilton
Hocking	Fulton	Harrison
Holmes	Guernsey	Highland
Jefferson	Hancock	Knox
Lawrence	Hardin	Lake
Logan	Huron	Licking
Lorain	Jackson	Madison
Lucas	Meigs	Mahoning
Medina	Mercer	Marion
Monroe	Montgomery	Miami
Noble	Morgan	Morrow
Ottawa	Muskingum	Pickaway
Portage	Paulding	Preble
Putnam	Perry	Richland
Sandusky	Pike	Shelby
Seneca	Ross	Summit
Tuscarawas	Scioto	Warren
Van Wert	Stark	Wood
Vinton	Trumbull	Wyandot
Washington	Union	
Wayne	Williams	

November 1 LEA Reporting

The quarterly Local Educational Agency (LEA) reporting requirement is coming up at the end of the month. This report is now available in the EI Data System (EIDS) in both Excel and PDF formats. You may use either version, but please remember the following:

- The November 1 LEA report must be run no earlier than October 22 and no later than November 1.
- If the parent does not consent to share contact information with the LEA, “no” must be selected in EIDS in response to “Transition contact info shared with LEA:” on the most recent IFSP and the date the parent declined to share information must also be documented.
- It is expected that child information will be updated in a timely manner so that the LEA reports in EIDS are accurate.
- *Only the sections of the report that are relevant to a particular LEA should be sent to that LEA, not the entire report.*
- If you are not sure which LEA should be selected for a specific child, 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>.

The November 1 LEA report does *not* need to be submitted to DODD, but we encourage you to keep a copy for your records. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Courts at melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov.

Monitoring Self-Assessment

As discussed in EI Program Update #2010, DODD is creating self-assessment tools for counties to use to monitor implementation of certain EI requirements as documented on forms introduced last year. In the coming weeks, DODD will provide all counties with the following resources:

- Self-assessment tracking sheets to document the review of records
- Detailed instructions for how to complete the self-assessment and document the results
- Spreadsheets including the names and ETIDs of applicable records to review for specific information

Counties will be required to complete the self-assessments and report on their results in their mid-year program report that is due January 31, 2021. DODD will offer a webinar to review the self-assessment process, explain how to complete the spreadsheets, and answer any questions. Additional details will be included when the self-assessments are sent.

While completion of this self-assessment is a required activity, it will also be a new tool to support local programs' ability to engage in ongoing monitoring of their implementation of certain requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

2020 EI Family Questionnaire

The 2020 EI Family Questionnaire is now closed. DODD appreciates the efforts counties made to encourage families to respond. Data will be compiled and analyzed over the next few weeks, and DODD will assemble and distribute county reports upon completion. As in previous years, DODD will also review and de-identify (when applicable) comments from the Family Questionnaire responses and distribute the comments to counties in the coming months.

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RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Assistive Technology Webinar Series with Dr. Philippa Campbell

Thank you to everyone who attended the first three webinars in our Assistive Technology series. We are happy to announce the schedule for the rest of the series. All webinars are from 8:30-10:00am.

December 15: Using AT for Functional Skills & Identifying Capacity in Your Community
[REGISTER](#)

January 12: Using AT in Routines Involving Indoor and Outdoor Play and Caregiver Chores
[REGISTER](#)

February 16: Using AT in Routines Involving Storytime/Pre-academics, Child Care Settings and Transitions
[REGISTER](#)

March 16: AT: Building Sustainable Capacity in Your Community and Region
[REGISTER](#)

The November webinar remains open for registration:

November 17: Using AT in Routines in Mealtime, Diapering/Toileting
[REGISTER](#)

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

Save the Date: Bayley and Battelle Trainings Scheduled for SFY21

We have scheduled training on the Bayley-4 Scales of Infant and Toddler Development. All sessions will be virtual. Trainings are planned for the following dates:

November 18, 8:30am-4:00pm
Register in advance for this webinar:

https://pearson.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MOVvuIQ7TS2FLFizi_ed8g

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

January 27
April 14
June 9

Trainings on the Battelle Developmental Inventory will be virtual and include training on both the BDI-2 and the BDI-3, which was released in Sept 2020. Trainings are planned for the following dates:

November 19
January 25

March 22
May 10

We will send registration links as soon as they are available.

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

Bayley-4: Administration, Scoring, and Basic Interpretation

Full-Day Workshop

Gloria Maccow, Ph.D., Specialist Educational Consulting, Pearson

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8:30 am to 4:00 pm

8:30 – 9:00	Purpose and Structure of Bayley-4
9:00 – 9:30	General Administration Guidelines
9:30 – 10:30	Administration and Scoring of Cognitive, Language, and Motor subtests
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 11:45	Administration and Scoring of Cognitive, Language, and Motor subtests (continued)
11:45 – 12:45	Lunch
12:45 – 1:45	Administration and Scoring of Cognitive, Language, and Motor subtests (continued)
1:45 – 2:15	Administration and Scoring of Social-Emotional Subtest and Adaptive Behavior Subdomains
2:15 – 2:30	Break
2:30 – 3:30	Scoring, Interpretation, and Technical Properties
3:30 – 4:00	Questions and Answers

Materials Needed:

Bayley-4 Kit (if available)

Handouts provided electronically by trainer