

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

Please do not forget that service coordination agencies must complete their mid-year grant reporting by January 31. DODD sent a checklist to EI contract managers and FCFC coordinators on December 4 with the reporting requirements. The information you share with us is very valuable in helping us plan for needed technical assistance and other supports. Thank you!

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***

### **February 1 Local Educational Agency (LEA) Notification**

The February 1 Quarterly LEA Reports are used for the state's annual compliance analysis related to LEA notification. DODD is responsible for issuing findings of noncompliance in this area where appropriate. The February 1 Quarterly LEA Report may be run no earlier than January 22 and must be sent to the appropriate LEAs no later than February 1. You must also email a copy of the full report to DODD no later than Tuesday, February 2. Submit reports to [melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov](mailto:melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov). You are strongly encouraged to maintain a copy of the report in the event that it is needed at a later date for monitoring purposes. DODD sent an email explaining the LEA reporting requirement to all EI contract managers and FCFC coordinators on January 7.

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

### **SFY21 Timely Receipt of Services (TRS) Baseline**

Activities related to the SFY21 TRS baseline analysis are underway. Data for the analysis were extracted from EIDS December 16. Verification requests and missing data inquiries were sent to applicable counties on January 8 and were due back to DODD by January 27. Results memos are scheduled to be sent March 19.

### **SFY21 45-Day Baseline**

Activities related to the 45-Day Baseline analysis are underway. Initial emails notifying counties about their inclusion in the analysis were sent January 13. Applicable counties have until February

2 to make any needed edits to data, including requesting deletions. Data for the baseline analysis will be extracted February 16.

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

### **EI Communication Toolkit Webinar**

The webinar about the EI communication toolkit DODD released in the autumn has been rescheduled for February 4. This 60 minute webinar will cover the toolkit's messaging, four templates, and resources to raise awareness and build outreach efforts for EI services in your county. The webinar starts at 11:00am. You can register here:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1004835293123881227>

### **EISC Skills and Competencies Checklist**

Per Ohio Administrative Code 5123-10-04(C)(2)(a)(iii), the early intervention skills and competencies checklist must be successfully completed to obtain a five-year EI service coordinator credential. The EISC skills and competencies checklist is not required for the EISC Supervisor credential. The skills and competencies checklist must be uploaded to the credential application as an attachment. You can access the skills and competencies checklist on the service coordinator credentialing page of the EI website here:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/credentialing/service-coordinator>

### **Learning Aid Ohio Resource**

Please consider sharing information about Learning Aid Ohio with families who have a child over the age of three with an individualized education program (IEP). Learning Aid Ohio aims to provide in-person, supplemental learning support for students with IEPs during this unique school year. To be approved for this program, a family must be an Ohio resident, have a student with an IEP, have a student learning on the fully remote or hybrid model, and be experiencing financial hardship. You can learn more about the program here:

<https://www.learningohio.com/>

# NEONATAL ABSTINENCE SYNDROME: ADDRESSING MODELS OF CARE WHICH SUPPORT THE BABY AND FAMILY

***An educational opportunity that offers strategies for caring for babies experiencing NAS and best practices for promoting positive outcomes during and beyond the NICU stay.***

## Learning Objectives:

Participants will be able to

- Explore new models of care for infants suffering from Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
- Compare and contrast these new approaches with the traditional care provided to these infants
- Identify specific strategies for supporting the opioid exposed mother and baby during the hospital experience and beyond
- Repudiate common myths with facts about opioid addiction and recovery
- Discuss incorporating new approaches into your own practice, unit and institution



## How to Access the Education:

- Create an account or log in to your existing account on the March of Dimes Nursing Programs website: <http://www.marchofdimes.org/nursing>
- Go to the "List of CNE activities" page located in the CNE activities section.
- Scroll to the activity included in this offer: **Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome**
- Click "**Access content and take test**"
- You will go to the activity purchase page. On this page it says there will be a charge to take the test, however on the next screen you will enter the promo code **WRWP7639** to get free access. This promo code will expire on **04/26/2021**.
- Click "**Next**" and a pop-up window will open the purchase screen.
- On the purchase screen, under **Payment Method**, select "**Enter Promo Code.**"
- Enter the promo code **WRWP7639** in the box that appears and click "**Submit.**"
- You will get an onscreen receipt and when you click "**Close**" at the bottom of this screen, the activity home page will load in the same window.
- On the activity home page, you will be able to view the content and you will be able to access the CNE test.

*Note, you can return to this page at a later date. When you login to the site, a link to this activity will be available in the drop down menu under the **my CNE account** button on the top right of the **home page** once you have logged in. The activity will also be accessible from the right column of your **My profile** page. Or, by selecting the activity again from the CNE activities page. Always login with the username and password you used when you accessed the content for the first time.*

## 1.0 CNE will be provided upon the completion of an evaluation of this activity.

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