

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

Thank you to all EI service coordination agencies for showing so much patience (and persistence!) as we have worked through various issues related to submissions of your American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) plans and budgets. We look forward to partnering with you as you begin implementation of this exciting work!

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

EI Grants Updates

We have received several questions about how to split EI ARPA budgets between FY22 and FY23. Please submit your budgets in the Grant Management System (GMS) using the fiscal year amounts as outlined in Addendum A and as entered in GMS. Your submitted Exhibit C (Budget Justification) should align with the fiscal year budget totals visible in GMS. This will allow program staff to review and approve budgets and allow subrecipients to request reimbursement for expenses in a timely fashion.

Starting in January, subrecipients may submit a request to shift funding between fiscal years to grants.invoices@dodd.ohio.gov (copying your program consultant). At that time, DODD staff will provide a copy of Addendum D for the subrecipient to complete. After Addendum D is signed, GMS will be updated to reflect the new dollar amounts for each fiscal year. We ask that only subrecipients that anticipate spending more in FY22 complete this process in January. If you anticipate a need to shift funding from FY22 to FY23, please wait until later this spring to submit a request.

Subrecipients may still request a budget modification in GMS to shift funding from one budget category to another without completing Addendum D. Subrecipients only need to complete Addendum D if there is a need to shift funding between FY22 and FY23 budgets.

2021 Family Questionnaire Comments

DODD sent files including comments from respondents to this year's family questionnaire in the county to each Contract Manager and FCFC Coordinator on December 2. Responses to questions #11, 12, 13, 14, and the Additional Comments section were deidentified if the respondent did not

provide consent to share comments as written. If the parent consented to share comments as written, the comments were not edited in any way. These files will not be posted on the EI website and are not intended to be shared or posted publicly. Please contact Taylor Hammond at Taylor.Hammond@dodd.ohio.gov with any questions.

Annual Performance Report

DODD has posted the FFY20/SFY21 Annual Performance Report to the EI website. We will accept public comment through December 30, 2021. To review the APR and learn how to make a comment, please visit the EI website here:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/storage/ocali-ims-sites/ocali-ims-oei/documents/Ohio-FFY20-Part-C-APR-to-post.pdf>

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Vaccines for Children Ages 5-11

Although children are less likely than adults to get severely ill from COVID-19, they most certainly can, and do, become ill—even seriously ill—and can suffer lasting complications from the virus. As of November 1, more than 2,000 Ohio children under 18 had been hospitalized with COVID-19, and 15 had died. Nationally, the virus has taken the lives of nearly 800 children.

To date, more than 247 million doses of the Pfizer vaccine have been administered in the United States, helping to prevent severe cases of COVID-19 resulting in hospitalization and death. A smaller dose of this same vaccine, one-third of the adult size, was thoroughly studied and tested in clinical trials. The trials showed that the pediatric formulation was nearly 91% effective at preventing symptomatic infections, and no serious side effects were detected.

For more information, visit DODD’s vaccine resource page here:

https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/covid_19_guidance/all-resources/vaccination

You can watch DODD’s Dr. Laura Sorg’s Medical Moment about vaccines here:

https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/medical_moments/medical-moment-children-getting-vaccines

Principles of Service Coordination (POSC): Modules 2 and 3 Now Open!

We are pleased to report that Principles of Service Coordination (POSC) Modules #2 and 3 are now available on MyLearning. If you have successfully completed Module #1, you will see an enrollment code on your MyLearning transcript. To locate your transcript, click Transcripts and Completions on the MyLearning landing page. If you need assistance, please contact Lori Myers at lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov.

Pathways to Community Plans of Safe Care

Quarterly Training:

Second Thursday of the Month

12:00pm-1:30pm



- **July 15, 2021**
Building Community Collaboratives
- **October 14, 2021**
Family Centered Practice
- **January 13, 2022**
Plan of Safe Care Innovations
- **April 14, 2022**
Lessons Learned and Sustainability

You will only need to register once for all four free virtual trainings.

[Please Register Here](#)



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