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 everyone who encouraged families to complete the 2022 EI family questionnaire! We have closed the survey and will be tabulating results in the coming weeks. We will share those counties that had the most impressive response rates later this month. We appreciate your efforts in helping boost our response rate.

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

DID YOU KNOW?

A Grants Management System (GMS) user guide provides extensive information for users navigating GMS. You can access this resource here:

<u>https://ohioearlyintervention.org/storage/ocali-ims-sites/ocali-ims-oei/documents/GMS-Grantee-Setup-and-User-Guide.pdf</u>

PROGRAM UPDATES

November 1 Local Educational Agency (LEA) Notification

The quarterly LEA reporting requirement is coming up at the end of the month. Under Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 5123-10-02(L)(1)(b), the EI service coordination agency must notify the LEA (with parent consent) of children who will turn three within the next year by the first day of February, May, August, and November. This report is 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: http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Data/Ohio-Educational-Directory-System-OEDS

This quarterly report must be provided to the LEAs no later than November 1. The 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.

SFY 22 Timely Receipt of Services (TRS) Baseline

DODD staff are finalizing the verification of records and completing the final analysis over the next several weeks. Results memos are expected to be sent in late October.

2022 Family Questionnaire Data Collection Complete

Data collection for the 2022 EI Family Questionnaire is now closed. DODD will be compiling and analyzing the quantitative data in the coming weeks, along with reading through all of the comments and de-identifying them, where applicable. As in previous years, upon completion of the analyses and de-identification, DODD will send reports to each county with quantitative results and files with the comments provided by families. Thank you for all the help in encouraging families to respond to this year's questionnaire!

SFY22 Annual County Reports

DODD has again created annual data summary reports for each county. These county reports contain the same data included in the statewide report: referral sources, children served, eligibility reasons, services on initial IFSPs, and exit reasons. We sent these reports EI contract managers and FCFC Coordinators on September 27. The statewide report will be posted on the EI website in the coming weeks. Look for more information in the coming editions of the EI Program Updates. Contact Taylor Hammond at Taylor.Hammond@dodd.ohio.gov with any questions.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Early Childhood Consultant Job Posting

The Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI) has posted a position for an early childhood consultant. This position, within OCALI's Center for the Young Child, will provide coaching and mentoring related to evidence-based EI practices as well as being a resource to professionals related to inclusive early care and education. You can learn more and apply here:

https://www.ocali.org/project/ocali_employment_opportunities/page/Early-Childhood-Consultant

Interested in autism intervention training?

Please complete the interest form and someone from our team will follow up with you.

Questions:

Maggie_Gons@ocali.org

Are you an Ohio early intervention professional?

Are you interested in pursuing advanced training in an evidence-based autism intervention model?

Fill out this interest form!







