

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

Thank you for your questions and support during this time of transition for the Early Intervention program. We have received many questions during the past two weeks about when the HMG Service Coordination RFP will be posted. I apologize for the delay. We anticipate that the RFP and updated allocation table will be posted later today or very early next week. Thank you for your patience.

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

PROGRAM UPDATES

Payor of Last Resort (POLR)

We are pleased to announce that Traci Keesee has joined the Early Intervention team. Traci worked most recently for the HMG Home Visiting program. In her new role, she will be overseeing our efforts with POLR. She will be processing new POLR applications as well as developing trainings and guidance documents about POLR. Please continue to use the polr@odh.ohio.gov e-mail address when submitting applications or inquiring about existing applications. You can call Traci at 614-728-2155.

Surrogate Parent Applications

With the co-location of DODD and ODH consultants, please send any surrogate parent applications to the following address rather than to ODH:

Columbus Developmental Center-Administration Building
1601 W. Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43222

Attention: EI Surrogate Parent Application

SFY17 Service Coordination Grant

The SFY17 Service Coordination grant is a continuation grant from last year. The methodology used to create the allocation table for SFY17 is the same methodology that was used to create the allocation table for SFY16, but with updated child count and referral numbers. We are attaching

the PowerPoint that was used to explain the methodology last year, but with the revised state fiscal year dates used for the SFY17 allocation table.

OSEP Part C Application

Ohio’s draft application to OSEP will be posted on the HMG website later today for 60 days. Consistent with federal requirements, we will be accepting public comment for 30 days until March 20.

SFY16 TRS Baseline Analysis

Activities related to the SFY16 TRS baseline analysis are underway. Data extraction occurred this week and data inquiries are scheduled to be sent to applicable counties on March 2.

Early Track Updates

Early Track was updated on February 17. Below follows details of the changes that were made.

Child Outcomes Summary: On the exit page, the following question will be required for all exits February 17, 2016 or later in each of the three outcome areas: “Has the child shown any NEW SKILLS or BEHAVIORS related to [outcome area] since the last Child Outcomes Summary rating?” See below image. For all exits prior to February 17, these questions will be available; however, they will not be required. We encourage users to enter as much of this information as possible. There are specific children for whom the answer to that question can affect the category in which the child is placed for federal reporting, so we are particularly interested in obtaining progress data for as many of those children as possible. Each county will soon receive a list of children for whom a child outcomes summary was performed at exit between July 1, 2015 and February 2016, with children highlighted if the progress data are most needed.

Exit List Exit Detail

Child's Third Birthday: 7/9/2017
Days Until Child's Third Birthday: 523
* Exit Date: [] / [] / [] []
* Exit Reason: []
Did the child have an IEP in place on his/her 3rd B-day? Yes No Not Eligible for Part B
* Exit Destination: []
* Developing Positive Social-emotional relationships - Relative to same age peers: []
* Has the child shown any NEW SKILLS or BEHAVIORS related to developing positive social-emotional relationships since the last Child Outcomes Summary rating?
* Acquiring and using Knowledge and Skills - Relative to same age peers: []
* Has the child shown any NEW SKILLS or BEHAVIORS related to acquiring and using knowledge and skills since the last Child Outcomes Summary rating?
* Taking appropriate action to meet needs, getting from place to place, taking care of basic needs - Relative to same age peers: []
* Has the child shown any NEW SKILLS or BEHAVIORS related to Taking appropriate action to meet needs, getting from place to place, taking care of basic needs since the last Child Outcomes Summary rating?
* Indicates required field.
** Indicates conditionally required field
Add Note Save

IFSP Outcomes on Service Dates Tab: A feature was added so users can view which outcome is associated with each service. To view the outcome, place your cursor anywhere in the desired row, and you will see a pop-up message with the outcome.

The screenshot shows the 'Service Dates' tab in the IFSP system. It contains a table with the following data:

IFSP Date	Type Name	Provider Name	Start Date	End Date
2/27/2015	Assistive technology devices and services	Child Focus Learning Center	02 / 27 / 2015	
1/16/2015	Audiological Services	Child Focus Learning Center	01 / 16 / 2015	
1/1/2016	Speech-language pathology services	A Wonder World		

A tooltip for the 1/1/2016 row displays the outcome: "Marisol, Walt, and Cindy would like for Sophie to tell them when she needs help during playtime by using simple signs or a word attempt." Below the table, there are instructions: "* Indicates required field." and "** Indicates conditionally required field." A "Save" button is located at the bottom right of the table area.

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Service Dropdown Changes in Early Track: As of January of 2015, the Service Coordinator should be listed only on Section II of the IFSP, and therefore, Service Coordination will be removed from the Service Type drop down in Early Track. The following drop down option will be added: "N/A – No interventionist needed to meet transition outcome." This drop down option will function exactly as the "Service not yet coordinated" option, where only the Service Type and Outcome fields are required. For more details, see pp30-33 of the IFSP guidance document or follow up with your EI TA consultant.

The screenshot shows a dropdown menu for the 'EI Service Type' field. The menu items are:

- Assistive technology devices and services
- Audiological Services
- Health Services
- Family training, counseling and home visits
- Medical services
- Nursing Services
- Nutrition Services
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Psychological services
- Sign Language and Cued Language Services
- Social work Services
- Special instruction
- Speech-language pathology services
- Transportation (and related costs)
- Vision services
- Other
- N/A – No interventionist needed to meet transition outcome**
- Service(s) not yet coordinated

The 'N/A – No interventionist needed to meet transition outcome' option is highlighted with a red box. The dropdown is part of a form with other fields like '*EI Service Type:', '*Location/Setting:', '**Service is needed to meet the following outcome:', '**Justification is provided on the IFSP:', 'Method:', '*How Often:', '*Session Length:', '*Provider Agency:', '*Funding Source:', and '*Next Workflow Step:'.

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Exit page update: Service coordinators now have update rights on the exit page.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The PLAY Project: Supporting Young Children with Autism Using Relationship-Based Interventions at Home and School

The Childhood League Center in Columbus is presenting a conference on the PLAY Project on April 8. For additional details, please access the event page here:

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=ceicpiwab&oeidk=a07ec6oz3ml95730594>

Functional Assessment: Beyond the Bayley and Battelle Webinar (Ohio Train # 1062057)

Webinars are scheduled for the following dates:

Feb 23, 2016	9:00-11:00am
Mar 22, 2016	1:30-3:30pm
Apr 26, 2016	9:00-11:00am
May 24, 2016	11:30am-1:30pm
Jun 28, 2016	1:30-3:30pm

EI Self-Study Modules

Two newly developed self-study modules introduce users to Early Intervention as well as the EI mission and key principles. You can register for these modules on OhioTrain (1061260 and 1061264).

Other Training Opportunities

Ongoing trainings available through Ohio Train:

- HMG Training Institute (1034150)
- IFSP Form user-directed webinar (1028661)
- IFSP Outcome Training-Facilitated Webinar (1054433)
- Principles of Service Coordination (1047684)

Other Trainings:

- Child Outcome Summary: Your State Team is encouraging county teams to use the online COS modules developed by the DaSy Center. Each participant must register for the online modules. You will then receive an email with a direct link to access the online modules. There are five modules. Here is the link: <http://dasycenter.org/child-outcomes-summary-cos-process-module-collecting-using-data-to-improve-programs/> If your team needs additional support after completing the COS modules, please contact your TA Consultant.
- Overview of Evidence Based EI: This training is accessed through your TA consultant, and is designed to support teams with learning about the key components of EB EI practices

including a review of the Mission and Key Principles, Coaching, Teaming, and Natural Learning Environment practices.

- Documentation: This training is available through your TA consultant and supports teams with learning what type of activities need to be documented.

January 1, 2016 Child Count of Children Served by County

Overall statewide January 1, 2016 child count: 10,162

County	Jan 1 Child Count		County	Jan 1 Child Count
Adams	33		Licking	138
Allen	107		Logan	42
Ashland	28		Lorain	277
Ashtabula	59		Lucas	531
Athens	37		Madison	29
Auglaize	46		Mahoning	71
Belmont	36		Marion	39
Brown	41		Medina	188
Butler	401		Meigs	10
Carroll	15		Mercer	57
Champaign	39		Miami	101
Clark	123		Monroe	14
Clermont	201		Montgomery	539
Clinton	81		Morgan	12
Columbiana	41		Morrow	29
Coshocton	36		Muskingum	69
Crawford	46		Noble	23
Cuyahoga	1112		Ottawa	19
Darke	56		Paulding	14
Defiance	38		Perry	25
Delaware	325		Pickaway	45
Erie	84		Pike	27
Fairfield	166		Portage	135
Fayette	41		Preble	18
Franklin	1127		Putnam	43
Fulton	48		Richland	104
Gallia	23		Ross	24
Geauga	64		Sandusky	36
Greene	289		Scioto	57
Guernsey	46		Seneca	50
Hamilton	567		Shelby	52
Hancock	92		Stark	217
Hardin	28		Summit	371
Harrison	9		Trumbull	77
Henry	33		Tuscarawas	75
Highland	34		Union	31
Hocking	19		Van Wert	32
Holmes	38		Vinton	7
Huron	107		Warren	228
Jackson	26		Washington	55
Jefferson	48		Wayne	93
Knox	39		Williams	35
Lake	147		Wood	79
Lawrence	56		Wyandot	12

January 1, 2016 – January 31, 2016 EI Program Referrals

Overall statewide January 2016 EI program referrals: 2,285

County	Jan EI Referrals	County	Jan EI Referrals
Adams	5	Licking	22
Allen	38	Logan	18
Ashland	12	Lorain	60
Ashtabula	20	Lucas	89
Athens	11	Madison	8
Auglaize	8	Mahoning	25
Belmont	9	Marion	7
Brown	11	Medina	34
Butler	93	Meigs	4
Carroll	3	Mercer	7
Champaign	12	Miami	22
Clark	52	Monroe	1
Clermont	38	Montgomery	102
Clinton	14	Morgan	5
Columbiana	20	Morrow	4
Coshocton	8	Muskingum	22
Crawford	11	Noble	5
Cuyahoga	250	Ottawa	6
Darke	9	Paulding	2
Defiance	6	Perry	8
Delaware	38	Pickaway	13
Erie	21	Pike	10
Fairfield	28	Portage	29
Fayette	6	Preble	7
Franklin	279	Putnam	7
Fulton	12	Richland	18
Gallia	4	Ross	19
Geauga	14	Sandusky	15
Greene	33	Scioto	14
Guernsey	8	Seneca	10
Hamilton	143	Shelby	6
Hancock	24	Stark	48
Hardin	6	Summit	94
Harrison	0	Trumbull	29
Henry	9	Tuscarawas	12
Highland	1	Union	12
Hocking	13	Van Wert	6
Holmes	8	Vinton	1
Huron	19	Warren	38
Jackson	7	Washington	12
Jefferson	5	Wayne	25
Knox	10	Williams	8
Lake	39	Wood	23
Lawrence	19	Wyandot	2

NB: SFY 16 EI program referral numbers will not be finalized until after August 1, 2016 and are subject to change.