

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

I am very pleased to tell you that on May 25, the Ohio House and Senate passed HB 483. This bill contained a number of provisions. Of particular interest to you is that this bill transfers Part C lead agency status from ODH to DODD with a tentative effective date of July 1, 2016. The bill has been sent to Governor Kasich for signature. State EI staff from both agencies are very excited about this change as it gives us the opportunity to better meet the needs of the field and thus improve outcomes for families and children. When we learn more details about the actual implementation, we will keep you posted. As you know, ODH and DODD staff began more closely integrating their efforts in February of this year, so we are optimistic about a continued smooth transition. Thank you for your patience.

Because the legislation passed sooner than we anticipated, we will be posting, in the coming days, a new Part C application to the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) that specifies DODD as the lead agency for Ohio. Once complete, the application will be posted for public comment on the HMG website here:

<http://www.helpmegrow.ohio.gov/Early%20Intervention/reporting.aspx>

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

Service Coordination Bridge Funds Opportunity

The Grant Agreement and Offshore Affirmation form were due **May 13**. In order to receive funds by July 1, you must complete the Questionnaire and Invoice Form by **today, May 27**. If you have additional questions or need to find a form, be sure to review the RFP and all supporting documents here:

<http://dodd.ohio.gov/Initiatives-and-Partnerships/Pages/default.aspx>

State Program Consultant Training

In order to provide you with consistent TA and guidance on implementing evidence-based EI practices, the state program consultants will be working on a certification through the Family,

Infant and Preschool Program (FIPP) Center for the Advanced Study of Excellence (CASE) to become “Certified EI Fidelity Coaches.”

The program consultants will be out of the office June 6-13 for training related to the certification. During this time, they will be unavailable to take calls or respond to emails during business hours. However, each program consultant has committed to checking and responding to urgent emails once a day. If you find that you need to speak to someone in person next week, please contact Diane Fox at diane.fox@odh.ohio.gov. If you have an urgent request and need to speak to someone on the phone, please contact Nathan DeDino at 614-644-7580.

SFY16 45 Day Baseline

Activities related to the SFY16 45 Day baseline analysis are underway. Data extraction occurred on May 20. We anticipate that missing data inquiries and verification requests will be sent to applicable counties June 8.

Family Questionnaire

In early June, child information for the 2016 Family Questionnaire will be pulled from the Early Track Data System. Please ensure that street addresses for the children you are serving currently are up to date in the data system. These efforts will help to increase your county’s response rate as well as minimize the number of surveys returned due to an incorrect address.

Early Track Access

As a reminder, for local staff working in EI who need Early Track access, state staff create only system administrator accounts. If you need Early Track access for a system administrator, please submit a signed user agreement and certificate from Early Track training *or* certificate from the Early Track self study to ETDS@odh.ohio.gov. You do not need to send user agreements for non-system administrators (*e.g.*, service coordinators) to state staff.

The user agreement and instructions for adding and modifying accounts are located in Early Track here:

The screenshot shows the navigation menu at the top with 'ET Info' circled in red. Below it, the 'ET Info' section is active, displaying a table of documents. The row for '3.15.16 ET User Agreement' is highlighted with a red box.

Description	Document Type
1.15.15 Early Track Release Changes	PDF Document
3.15.16 Child Outcomes Crosswalk	PDF Document
3.15.16 ET User Agreement	PDF Document
3.15.16 How to Add-Modify an ET User	PDF Document
3.21.12 Home Visiting Extract Field Descriptions	PDF Document

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Additional dates have been added to OhioTRAIN for two webinars: *Functional Assessment: Beyond the Bayley and Battelle* and *The Key to Writing Functional IFSP Outcomes: It's All About the Process*.

Functional Assessment

July 26: 9-11 am

Aug 23: 1:30-3:30 pm

Sep 27: 9-10:30 am

IFSP Outcomes

July 21: 11:30 am–1 pm

Aug 18: 9-10:30 am

Sep 15: 1:30-3 pm

Ongoing trainings available through OhioTRAIN:

- Early Intervention Mission and Key Principles self-paced webinar (1061264)
- Functional Assessment: Beyond the Bayley and Battelle facilitated webinar (1062057)
- HMG Training Institute (1034150)
- IFSP Form user-directed webinar (1028661)
- IFSP Outcome Training facilitated webinar (1054433)
- Introduction to Early Intervention self-paced webinar (1061260)
- Principles of Service Coordination (1047684)

Other Trainings:

- Child Outcome Summary: Your state team encourages 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 six 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 program consultant.
- Overview of Evidence Based EI: This training is accessed through your program 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 program consultant and supports teams with learning what type of activities need to be documented

April 1, 2016 Child Count of Children Served by County

Overall statewide April 1, 2016 child count: 10,208

County	April 1 Child Count		County	April 1 Child Count
Adams	38		Licking	128
Allen	125		Logan	43
Ashland	31		Lorain	274
Ashtabula	65		Lucas	492
Athens	37		Madison	29
Auglaize	46		Mahoning	78
Belmont	43		Marion	41
Brown	39		Medina	206
Butler	408		Meigs	12
Carroll	17		Mercer	59
Champaign	36		Miami	110
Clark	125		Monroe	10
Clermont	212		Montgomery	520
Clinton	80		Morgan	15
Columbiana	31		Morrow	25
Coshocton	42		Muskingum	73
Crawford	47		Noble	22
Cuyahoga	1097		Ottawa	25
Darke	57		Paulding	15
Defiance	40		Perry	27
Delaware	309		Pickaway	44
Erie	92		Pike	30
Fairfield	151		Portage	119
Fayette	37		Preble	18
Franklin	1152		Putnam	50
Fulton	52		Richland	113
Gallia	27		Ross	29
Geauga	71		Sandusky	42
Greene	291		Scioto	60
Guernsey	47		Seneca	47
Hamilton	569		Shelby	50
Hancock	91		Stark	209
Hardin	26		Summit	389
Harrison	6		Trumbull	74
Henry	34		Tuscarawas	72
Highland	28		Union	24
Hocking	20		Van Wert	30
Holmes	40		Vinton	6
Huron	101		Warren	233
Jackson	24		Washington	52
Jefferson	39		Wayne	96
Knox	39		Williams	38
Lake	157		Wood	88
Lawrence	64		Wyandot	8

April 1 – April 30, 2016 EI Program Referrals

Overall statewide April 2016 EI program referrals: 2,194

County	April EI Referrals	County	April EI Referrals
Adams	8	Licking	30
Allen	29	Logan	20
Ashland	13	Lorain	77
Ashtabula	21	Lucas	89
Athens	13	Madison	4
Auglaize	9	Mahoning	17
Belmont	8	Marion	11
Brown	8	Medina	33
Butler	98	Meigs	3
Carroll	11	Mercer	14
Champaign	8	Miami	24
Clark	47	Monroe	0
Clermont	47	Montgomery	107
Clinton	5	Morgan	3
Columbiana	17	Morrow	8
Coshocton	7	Muskingum	29
Crawford	11	Noble	4
Cuyahoga	231	Ottawa	5
Darke	14	Paulding	3
Defiance	5	Perry	8
Delaware	33	Pickaway	14
Erie	13	Pike	3
Fairfield	20	Portage	30
Fayette	11	Preble	9
Franklin	252	Putnam	5
Fulton	9	Richland	23
Gallia	3	Ross	22
Geauga	13	Sandusky	17
Greene	33	Scioto	10
Guernsey	11	Seneca	17
Hamilton	134	Shelby	8
Hancock	9	Stark	34
Hardin	2	Summit	98
Harrison	1	Trumbull	25
Henry	3	Tuscarawas	14
Highland	3	Union	6
Hocking	6	Van Wert	6
Holmes	6	Vinton	0
Huron	15	Warren	37
Jackson	14	Washington	20
Jefferson	4	Wayne	20
Knox	10	Williams	7
Lake	27	Wood	24
Lawrence	13	Wyandot	1

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