

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

The DD Council EI grant, “Bridging the Gaps in Early Intervention Services in Ohio,” will be distributing a survey to all counties in the coming days. This survey is a follow up survey to one completed in 2012. I fully support this effort and strongly encourage your participation.

The survey is for the purpose of gathering information about each county’s EI system. The information gathered will be analyzed and will reflect trends and data points occurring throughout Ohio. In 2012, we had 100% participation from Ohio’s 88 counties. We hope to have every county participate again this year. The information gathered from each county will be used collectively to compile data. No information specific to a county will be shared in the final report.

The survey is being distributed to the HMG EI contract manager and Board of Developmental Disabilities superintendent in each county. The survey instructions encourage all participants in the EI system in each county to develop the answers to the survey together as a collaborative effort and make one submission for the county.

If you have questions about the survey, please contact any of the DD Council EI grant consultants:

Susan Jones: susanjonesgrant@gmail.com

Beth Popich: bethpopich@fuse.net

Bev Smith: bevsmith45160@yahoo.com

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey. I well understand how busy you are. However, the information gathered in this survey will be invaluable in helping Ohio move forward with providing high quality services to families and children eligible for EI.

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

SFY16 45 Day Baseline

Activities related to the SFY16 45 Day baseline analysis are underway. Missing data inquiries and verification requests were sent to applicable counties June 8 and are due back to Melissa Courts, EI Monitoring Consultant, at melissa.courts@odh.ohio.gov by June 23.

COS Progress Questions Reminder

As explained in the Help Me Grow Early Intervention Program Updates #1603 and #1604, in the February 17 Early Track release, additional questions regarding child outcomes were added to the exit page. For all three outcomes areas, the following question was added: “Has the child shown any NEW SKILLS or BEHAVIORS related to [outcome area] since the last Child Outcomes Summary rating?” At the time, we asked that counties go into Early Track records of children who exited between July 1, 2015 and February 16, 2016 and add this information. A list of relevant children was sent to each county on April 13. Data will be pulled for the SFY16/FFY15 child outcomes analyses for the Annual Performance Report (APR) indicators in early August, so if you have not yet done so, please enter progress data for as many of those children as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Taylor Hammond, EI researcher, at taylor.hammond@odh.ohio.gov.

SFY 17 Service Coordination Grant

DODD will become the Part C lead agency with the start of the SFY17 Service Coordination grants. However, the grant terms and conditions, policies and procedures are still those contained in the Department of Health’s OGAPP manual, per the Continuation of Funding Application, for the entirety of the grant year (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017). DODD will be reimbursing subrecipients on the reimbursement timeline (quarterly or monthly) that subrecipients selected as part of their application for the continuation of funding. ODH has historically provided subrecipients with an *estimate* of the breakdown between federal and GRF funds. DODD does not provide estimates, but will provide any federal grant recipient with a breakdown of federal and state funds paid to the grant recipient so the recipient can complete A-133 reporting. This usually happens in concert with each entity’s fiscal year and the information is provided after payments are made for the previous year. Fiscal questions (including those related to GMIS, expenditure reporting, etc.) throughout the grant year may be directed to Tiffany Harlan at tiffany.harlan@dodd.ohio.gov.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Technology and Evidence-Based Early Intervention

The video series, “Use of Technology with Evidence Based Early Intervention,” illustrates how video, video conferencing, and related technologies can improve access to, and the quality of, supports for families as well as better enable teams to practice evidence-based early intervention services. The eight video series may be accessed here: <http://ddc.ohio.gov/video-ei-series>

The series was produced in partnership with OACB, the Ohio DD Council, the BHN Alliance (Belmont, Harrison, and Noble County Boards of DD) and, most importantly, families and early intervention practitioners.

Resource Center on Domestic Violence: Child Protection and Custody (RCDV: CPC) Summer Webinar Series

The RCDV: CPC has launched a summer webinar series starting June 17 around domestic violence issues. You can see a description of the webinars and register for them here:

<https://rcdvpc.org/events/summerwebinar2016.html>

Introduction to Early Intervention Video

The Introduction to EI video is a useful and concise resource you may wish to use when orienting new staff or introducing EI to new families. You can access the video here:

<http://dodd.ohio.gov/IndividualFamilies/MYday/Pages/Education-and-Development.aspx>

State-Sponsored Training Opportunities

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 Outcomes 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.

May 1, 2016 Child Count of Children Served by County

Overall statewide May 1, 2016 child count: 10,361

County	May 1 Child Count		County	May 1 Child Count
Adams	36		Licking	127
Allen	140		Logan	43
Ashland	32		Lorain	269
Ashtabula	69		Lucas	503
Athens	37		Madison	27
Auglaize	48		Mahoning	85
Belmont	46		Marion	49
Brown	39		Medina	196
Butler	420		Meigs	12
Carroll	19		Mercer	60
Champaign	41		Miami	111
Clark	124		Monroe	13
Clermont	215		Montgomery	528
Clinton	74		Morgan	16
Columbiana	33		Morrow	23
Coshocton	40		Muskingum	77
Crawford	51		Noble	22
Cuyahoga	1110		Ottawa	26
Darke	56		Paulding	15
Defiance	42		Perry	26
Delaware	311		Pickaway	50
Erie	88		Pike	29
Fairfield	145		Portage	126
Fayette	39		Preble	17
Franklin	1164		Putnam	50
Fulton	53		Richland	112
Gallia	27		Ross	32
Geauga	73		Sandusky	42
Greene	296		Scioto	62
Guernsey	48		Seneca	44
Hamilton	568		Shelby	48
Hancock	95		Stark	221
Hardin	25		Summit	392
Harrison	8		Trumbull	84
Henry	37		Tuscarawas	74
Highland	30		Union	26
Hocking	18		Van Wert	30
Holmes	40		Vinton	6
Huron	105		Warren	214
Jackson	24		Washington	57
Jefferson	40		Wayne	95
Knox	42		Williams	41
Lake	161		Wood	96
Lawrence	67		Wyandot	9

May 1 – May 31, 2016 EI Program Referrals

Overall statewide May 2016 EI program referrals: 2,170

County	May EI Referrals	County	May EI Referrals
Adams	7	Licking	33
Allen	36	Logan	12
Ashland	4	Lorain	84
Ashtabula	22	Lucas	81
Athens	12	Madison	5
Auglaize	12	Mahoning	26
Belmont	13	Marion	13
Brown	16	Medina	27
Butler	73	Meigs	4
Carroll	5	Mercer	11
Champaign	12	Miami	31
Clark	34	Monroe	1
Clermont	33	Montgomery	94
Clinton	11	Morgan	4
Columbiana	21	Morrow	8
Coshocton	15	Muskingum	26
Crawford	2	Noble	3
Cuyahoga	239	Ottawa	4
Darke	7	Paulding	2
Defiance	5	Perry	7
Delaware	36	Pickaway	9
Erie	10	Pike	5
Fairfield	32	Portage	40
Fayette	6	Preble	2
Franklin	277	Putnam	8
Fulton	12	Richland	14
Gallia	3	Ross	9
Geauga	15	Sandusky	15
Greene	45	Scioto	20
Guernsey	4	Seneca	9
Hamilton	145	Shelby	7
Hancock	18	Stark	44
Hardin	3	Summit	86
Harrison	0	Trumbull	23
Henry	9	Tuscarawas	7
Highland	7	Union	13
Hocking	4	Van Wert	5
Holmes	7	Vinton	0
Huron	14	Warren	30
Jackson	6	Washington	9
Jefferson	3	Wayne	21
Knox	11	Williams	11
Lake	31	Wood	17
Lawrence	10	Wyandot	3

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