To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators

From: Nathan DeDino

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

Last week, we received feedback on the Phase II submission of our State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) from OSEP. I am pleased to report that our feedback was extremely positive. OSEP complimented us on both the thoughtfulness and clarity of our plan. Moreover, the reviewers were impressed with the implementation steps that are underway since our submission in April.

I am grateful to everyone who has reviewed and provided feedback on the plan we submitted this spring. The positive feedback we are receiving now is a testament to the hard and thoughtful work that so many accomplished during the year we created our Phase II plan. We look forward to our continued partnering over the next three years to implement our plan.

I always invite your feedback. Do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov">nathan.dedino@dodd.ohio.gov</a>. I look forward to hearing from you.

## PROGRAM UPDATES

## E-mail Address Change

ODH staff who transitioned to DODD (Melissa Courts, Nathan DeDino, Laura Friedman, Taylor Hammond, Cydney Hoffman, Kelli Lanzot, Jeff Strong, and Susan Wendt) now have DODD email addresses. The e-mail addresses follow the same pattern at ODH: firstname.lastname@dodd.ohio.gov. Please be sure to update your e-mail address book.

#### **IFSP Translation**

Effective immediately, if you have an IFSP that needs to be translated, please send it to Zoe Smoot at <a href="mailto:zoe.smoot@dodd.ohio.gov">zoe.smoot@dodd.ohio.gov</a> rather than your EI program consultant. Other document translation (e.g., the parents' rights brochure) should continue to be submitted to Nathan DeDino.

## **Primary Service Provider Changes**

We have received a number of questions about changes to a family's primary service provider (PSP) in recent weeks. We would like to remind you that changes can be made to a family's (PSP).

Although these changes should be infrequent, some reasons for a change include the following:

- Family/caregiver requests the change
- When the PSP believes that, even with support from other team members, he or she does not have the expertise or is ineffective in supporting the parent/caregiver
- The PSP is no longer available to support the family (e.g., extended leave or terminates employment with EI agency)

The following resources are useful for helping teams determine who best should serve as a family's PSP:

How to Choose PSP Worksheet: Teams who use this worksheet tend to have higher "fidelity" to the primary service provider approach to teaming and are better able to answer this question, "Why did you choose \_\_\_\_\_ to be my/the PSP?"

http://fipp.org/static/media/uploads/casetools/casetool\_vol6\_no3.pdf

Fact Sheet on PSP Approach to Teaming:

http://www.birth23.org/files/Training/factsheetPSP.pdf

Please follow up with your EI program consultant if you have additional questions.

#### **SFY16 Transition Baseline**

Activities related to the SFY16 Transition baseline analysis are underway. For those included in the Transition analysis, the data cleaning period ran through August 15. Any needed data re-entry following deletions must be completed by August 26 and data extraction will occur on August 29. County inquiries, including Steps Self Assessments, and missing data and verification requests, as applicable, are scheduled to be sent September 12.

# RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Routines-Based Interview—UPDATE!**

We have made changes to the dates for Routines-Based Interview (RBI) training originally scheduled for Sept 15 and 16 at the State Library.

We have rescheduled the sessions for Oct 12 and 13 at Columbus Developmental Center. If you would like to attend one of the October sessions, please register on OhioTRAIN (Course #1056308).

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding.

### **Data and Monitoring Road Show**

In order to better support local programs and supplement other technical assistance and training, the EI Data and Monitoring Team will be hitting the road this fall to present a Data and Monitoring Road Show, with a target audience of EI Contract Managers and data staff. This will be a series of in-person trainings to provide information about the Early Track Data System, compliance monitoring practices and protocols, and how to better use and share data. Six total trainings have been scheduled, with one in each of the EI consultant regions. Each training will run from 10:00am-3:00pm, with an optional Early Track session from 9:00am-10:00am and an opportunity to practice and ask additional questions from 3:00pm-4:00pm. See the table below for details regarding dates and locations of the trainings. Registration information will be available soon. In the meantime, feel free to contact Lori Myers, EI Training Coordinator, at Lori.E.Myers@dodd.ohio.gov with any questions.

Dates	Location
9/28/16	Summit County Board of DD
10/5/16	Guernsey County Board of DD
10/18/16	Allen County Board of DD
10/26/16	Highland County Board of DD
11/2/16	State Library, Franklin County
11/15/16	Wood County Board of DD

## **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:

- Coaching in Early Intervention self-paced webinar (1063890)
- Early Intervention Mission and Key Principles self-paced webinar (1061264)
- Functional Assessment: Beyond the Bayley and Battelle facilitated webinar (1062057)
- IFSP Form user-directed webinar (1028661)
- IFSP Outcome Training facilitated webinar (1054433)
- Introduction to Early Intervention self-paced webinar (1061260)
- Natural Learning Environments self-paced webinar (1063888)
- 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: <a href="http://dasycenter.org/child-outcomes-summary-cos-process-module-collecting-using-data-to-improve-programs/">http://dasycenter.org/child-outcomes-summary-cos-process-module-collecting-using-data-to-improve-programs/</a> 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.

# July 1, 2016 Child Count of Children Served by County

Overall statewide July 1, 2016 child count: 10,461

County	July 1 Child Count	County	July 1 Child Count
Adams	37	Licking	117
Allen	146	Logan	51
Ashland	32	Lorain	273
Ashtabula	63	Lucas	510
Athens	39	Madison	27
Auglaize	40	Mahoning	95
Belmont	44	Marion	53
Brown	35	Medina	195
Butler	439	Meigs	14
Carroll	17	Mercer	63
Champaign	42	Miami	116
Clark	115	Monroe	13
Clermont	232	Montgomery	523
Clinton	64	Morgan	19
Columbiana	34	Morrow	24
Coshocton	41	Muskingum	81
Crawford	49	Noble	24
Cuyahoga	1100	Ottawa	31
Darke	65	Paulding	15
Defiance	41	Perry	26
Delaware	324	Pickaway	53
Erie	79	Pike	29
Fairfield	159	Portage	114
Fayette	40	Preble	20
Franklin	1155	Putnam	50
Fulton	55	Richland	115
Gallia	25	Ross	36
Geauga	75	Sandusky	46
Greene	297	Scioto	52
Guernsey	45	Seneca	51
Hamilton	586	Shelby	53
Hancock	94	Stark	239
Hardin	22	Summit	390
Harrison	8	Trumbull	93
Henry	33	Tuscarawas	75
Highland	20	Union	21
Hocking	19	Van Wert	41
Holmes	40	Vinton	6
Huron	112	Warren	211
Jackson	25	Washington	55
Jefferson	41	Wayne	89
Knox	50	Williams	36
Lake	172	Wood	93
Lawrence	65	Wyandot	7

July 1 – July 31, 2016 EI Program Referrals

Overall statewide July 2016 EI program referrals: 1,989

County	July EI Referrals	County	July EI Referrals
Adams	5	Licking	30
Allen	22	Logan	13
Ashland	7	Lorain	37
Ashtabula	10	Lucas	65
Athens	9	Madison	4
Auglaize	8	Mahoning	5
Belmont	14	Marion	7
Brown	7	Medina	30
Butler	77	Meigs	4
Carroll	4	Mercer	5
Champaign	7	Miami	23
Clark	42	Monroe	6
Clermont	30	Montgomery	85
Clinton	20	Morgan	1
Columbiana	17	Morrow	9
Coshocton	8	Muskingum	19
Crawford	5	Noble	0
Cuyahoga	260	Ottawa	7
Darke	9	Paulding	3
Defiance	8	Perry	6
Delaware	25	Pickaway	9
Erie	20	Pike	1
Fairfield	32	Portage	49
Fayette	2	Preble	5
Franklin	253	Putnam	8
Fulton	7	Richland	22
Gallia	4	Ross	11
Geauga	10	Sandusky	13
Greene	30	Scioto	11
Guernsey	9	Seneca	8
Hamilton	129	Shelby	10
Hancock	16	Stark	51
Hardin	5	Summit	82
Harrison	0	Trumbull	16
Henry	6	Tuscarawas	10
Highland	12	Union	14
Hocking	7	Van Wert	3
Holmes	10	Vinton	0
Huron	14	Warren	32
Jackson	6	Washington	16
Jefferson	4	Wayne	13
Knox	9	Williams	12
Lake	28	Wood	11
Lawrence	13	Wyandot	3

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