

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 attended the Early Childhood Systems conference this past week! It was great to see so many of you in person—meeting some of you for the first time and catching up with familiar colleagues. We hope you enjoyed the sessions and picked up some practical ideas to apply in your work.

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

PROGRAM UPDATES

SFY19 Transition Analyses (Group 3)

Activities related to the SFY19 Transition Steps & Services and Transition Planning Conference analyses are underway. Data were extracted on February 19. County inquiries, including Steps and Services Self Assessments as well as missing data requests and verification requests, were sent March 1 and were due back March 18. DODD is currently verifying and analyzing data. Results memos are scheduled to be sent at the end of April.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Developmental Specialist Survey

The Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB), in cooperation with DODD, is distributing a survey to each practicing developmental specialist (DS) in Ohio. A second survey is being distributed to supervisors of DSs. The purpose of the surveys is to gather current information from each DS and DS Supervisor. The information gathered will be used to help determine competencies, trainings, necessary supports, and credentialing guidelines for DSs and supervisors. This is an exciting opportunity for DSs in the state to share their knowledge and needs specific to their critical role on the team. Support for supervisors is also a priority in this work.

We encourage each DS and supervisor to complete the survey by the return date of April 12.

Please contact Susan Jones (sjones@oacbdo.org) or Beth Popich (bpopich@oacbdo.org) with any questions or comments.

Rule Courses on MyLearning

The first two online modules on the new EI rules, “Procedural Safeguards” and “Service Coordination Credentialing,” are available on DODD’s MyLearning. The courses are self-paced and take 30-40 minutes to complete. Each course includes check-in questions and a final quiz. You will receive a certificate of completion for each module upon successfully passing the final quiz.

The individual modules are not long enough to qualify for CPDUs, but CPDUs are available upon completion of all modules in the series; we are planning a total of four modules.

To access the modules, navigate to MyLearning. After logging in, click the Early Intervention tile and select, “Early Intervention New Rules Review.”

If you have questions, please contact Lori Myers, lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov.

Reminder: Submit Your Questions for Rocking the Rules Webinars

We are offering a series of facilitated webinars on the new EI rules. We are asking staff to review the rules in advance and submit questions. Questions submitted at least two weeks in advance will be addressed during the webinars. Questions submitted later may not be addressed the day of the webinar, but will be answered in a later FAQ.

Please note that the *SOP* webinar has *two parts*. Part one will focus on the steps required for all families, while part two will focus on steps required when a POLR provider is involved.

Below follows the list of webinar dates, registration links and dates questions are due. Please submit all questions to Lori Myers at lori.e.myers@dodd.ohio.gov

April 9 Procedural Safeguards/Submit questions by Mar 26
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8338102845394092033>

April 23 Service Coordination Credentialing/Submit questions by Apr 9
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6210517059321973249>

May 7 Screening, Eligibility and Assessment/Submit questions by Apr 23
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8623754866778711809>

May 14 IFSP/Submit questions by Apr 30
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1439019224820640257>

May 21 Service Coordination/Submit questions by May 7
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3722005586316142337>

May 28 Transition and Exit/Submit questions by May 14
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/581969702178581761>

June 4 Forms/Submit questions by May 21
<https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/1704223629301587970>

June 11 SOP Part 1/Submit questions by May 28
<https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/770020276205554945>

June 13 SOP Part 2/Submit questions by May 30
<https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/6883905260170754562>

June 18 IFSP Form/Submit questions by June 4
<https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/4502452134849444609>

Recommendations for Home Visiting

Governor DeWine has released a series of recommendations from the Governor's Advisory Committee on Home Visitation about how to increase the state's investment in proven home visitation programs. You can read the committee's report and recommendations here:

<https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/media/news-and-media/030819>

New Bayley Edition

This autumn, Pearson will be releasing the fourth edition of the Bayley. You can learn more about the new edition and how to order here:

https://downloads.pearsonassessments.com/images/Assets/Bayley-4/Bayley-Sales-Sheet-for-NAN_Final.pdf

DODD Early Childhood Facebook Group

DODD has formed a new Early Childhood (birth to age five) Facebook group for families. If you know of families who may be interested, please encourage them to join the group here:

<https://www.facebook.com/login/?next=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fgroups%2FDODDEarlyChildhoodForum%2F>