To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators

From: Nathan DeDino

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Subject: Early Intervention Program Updates, #2018

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

On Wednesday, Governor DeWine made a statewide address about the COVID-19 pandemic. In his speech, the governor commended Ohioans for the actions they have taken already and asked that all of us take appropriate action to reverse the recent increasing spread of the virus. You can access a summary of the speech that includes a link to the entire speech here.

Thank you for everything you are doing to keep yourselves, co-workers, and families you serve safe. As always, be sure to visit the <u>Ohio Department of Health coronavirus website</u> for the latest updates about the pandemic

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

OH|ID Changes Delayed

As referenced in EI Program Updates #2015 and #2016, Innovate Ohio is making updates to OH|ID, including the introduction of new features, to improve the user experience. The release of these changes was delayed and they are now expected to be deployed in late July. These new features will be available for anyone who uses OH|ID to access DODD applications, including EIDS and EIGS. You can take a site tour and review a document that outlines the OH|ID enhancements here:

https://dodd.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/dodd/about-us/resources/resource-ohid-dashboard-june-29

SFY20 Transition and TRS Baseline

Transition and Timely Receipt of Services (TRS) baseline analyses are underway. Data for analyses were extracted July 13 and inquiries are scheduled to be sent to applicable counties July 31. Please send any questions regarding the baseline process to melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov.

2020 EI Family Questionnaire

As described in EI Program Updates #2014, DODD will not be distributing a paper version of this year's Family Questionnaire. Instead, DODD will send an information sheet about the Family Questionnaire to applicable families. The mailing is scheduled to be completed by July 31. In

early August, DODD will distribute to county service coordination agencies a list of families who are included in the survey, a copy of the questionnaire, and hyperlinks and QR codes that can be used to access the questionnaire.

August 1 LEA

The August 1 Local Educational Agency (LEA) quarterly report requirement is approaching. The report may be run in EIDS no earlier than July 22 and must be sent to the appropriate LEAs no later than August 1. Please do not submit copies to DODD, but you are encouraged to maintain copies on file. Remember that parent rights apply to any shared information if personally identifying details are disclosed. Only the appropriate page(s) of the LEA Report should be sent to each LEA. Unlike in April, DODD will *not* be sending Excel versions of the report to counties for this quarter's report, so please ensure you have the ability to separate the PDF by school district electronically or by printing the document. If you have any questions about the LEA reporting process, please contact Melissa Courts at melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov.

EI Outreach Reports

The final EI outreach report for SFY20 activities is due July 31. This report covers activities from December 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. You can access the Local EI Outreach Reporting Template on the EI website here:

https://ohioearlyintervention.org/local-state-national-resources/central-intake-and-outreach.

Additional guidance was e-mailed to EI contract managers and FCFC coordinators on July 6 and July 9. Please submit your report to Melissa Courts at melissa.courts@dodd.ohio.gov. Final payments will be released after we have received the reports.

County Contacts

With the many transitions in local leadership at the beginning of the new fiscal year, we ask that you check the Contract Manager and FCFC Contacts listed for your county on the EI website: https://ohioearlyintervention.org/ei-county-contacts. If any of the information needs to be updated for your county, please contact Shakila Dixon at shakila.dixon@dodd.ohio.gov.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Parenting Children Exposed in Utero

Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) and DODD are partnering together to provide a short training about parenting strategies for individuals with fetal alcohol spectrum disorders (FASD). The trainer, Aubrey Page, is a foster parent who has parented many children with FASD. This training will give you the skills you need to positively change your own home or advise clients on strategies to try at home. You can register here:

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0sc-ChqDgoHdX7LA53e9wShCMpnUfyDib0

Ohio SCOPE SAVE THE DATE

SUPPORTING CHILDREN OF THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

LEARNING TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Introduction to the Opioid Crisis & Social Determinants of Health
- Self-Care Techniques & Self-Reflective Practice
- Addiction & Treatment
- Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome & Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome
- Trauma Informed Care/Practices
- Impacts of Trauma on Development
- Developmental Monitoring



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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT FOR:

Early Childhood Workforce, Early Childcare Providers, Early
Intervention and Head Start Teams, Developmental Specialists, Service
Coordinators, Speech-Language Pathologists, Physical and
Occupational Therapists

For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Jessy Thomas at jessy.thomas@osumc.edu or visit https://www.ucucedd.org/project-scope/









