

# EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM UPDATES

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# MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

As many folks are transitioning into a summer routine, we continue to have a lot of information to share with you. I would like to particularly call your attention to the Resources and Training Opportunities section of this edition, as we have several exciting updates in that area.

Please feel free to reach out to me at <u>Taylor.Hammond@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov</u> with ideas, questions, or suggestions any time.

# **PROGRAM UPDATES**

#### 2025 EI Family Questionnaire

The 2025 EI family questionnaires have been distributed. DCY sent EI Contract Managers and Family and Children First Council (FCFC) Coordinators information about the questionnaire and a recipient list on May 30. The recipient lists included family contact information and the language and method in which the questionnaire was distributed to each family. We are already receiving many responses and will be sending out preliminary response rates by county in the coming weeks. Thanks to our local EI programs for all of your hard work and help in encouraging families to respond to this questionnaire!

# Early Intervention Data System (EIDS) Move to DCY

The application "go live" date at DCY has been delayed. We do not yet have a new date, but we will communicate that as soon as we are able. As a reminder, we also expect only minor changes to the login process, and no changes to the application or any current data entry processes. Please check the EIDS message box for real time updates about any additional information regarding this transition. Email <u>eids@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov</u> with any questions.

#### State Fiscal Year 2025 (SFY25) Timely Receipt of Services (TRS) and Transition Baseline Analyses

DCY is wrapping up the review of submitted compliance inquiries for the SFY25 TRS and Transition baseline and completing the final data analyses. Results memos are expected to be sent June 17.

#### SFY25 45-Day Baseline Analysis

All SFY25 45-Day inquiries were due May 22. DCY will send requests for additional or clarifying information needed to verify applicable components of requested records in the coming weeks. Results memos are scheduled to be sent at the end of July.

## **Resources and Training Opportunities**

#### Donuts with Di June 20 - Elevated Blood Lead Levels

We announced the return of Donuts with Di in the May 29 EI Program Update. For the first edition of 2025, Dr. Sorg will provide information about sources of lead exposure research highlighting the critical importance of early identification and intervention to mitigate the long-term consequences of lead exposure. Additionally, Katie Parker and Karen Mintzer will share how the Cuyahoga County team supports families from intake through ongoing services, with a strong emphasis on family engagement and education. Use <u>this link</u> to join. This presentation will be recorded and posted on the EI website, but Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) are only available for those who attend the live session.

#### Developmental Specialist Application Process FAQ Guidance Document

On March 3, 2025, the Early Intervention Developmental Specialist (DS) certification process transitioned from the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) to the Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association's (OCCRRA) Ohio Professional Registry (OPR). The <u>Ohio Early Intervention Developmental Specialist</u> <u>webpage</u> contains information about the transition, including User Guides and informational webinar recording links. In addition to these resources, we have developed a document containing answers to frequently asked questions that we have received in the first few months of this transition. Click <u>here</u> to access the DS Application FAQ Document.

#### OCALI-CONLINE Registration is Open

Registration for OCALI-CONLINE 2025 is now open. The online conference takes place November 18 -21. <u>Click here</u> for more information and registration.

# The Devereux Center for Resilient Children Free Webinars

The Devereux Center for Resilient Children has published their calendar of free webinars for SFY26. The following webinars have been approved for CPDUs for EISCs, EISC Supervisors, and Developmental Specialists:

- Understanding Adult Resilience and Four Key Contributing Factors: August 14, 2025 & February 3, 2026
- Understanding Resilience in Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers: August 26, 2025 & January 8, 2026
- 5 Steps for Promoting Resilience in Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers: An Introduction to the DECA Program: September 9, 2025 & April 28, 2026
- Supporting the Resilience of Children and their Families: An Introduction to the Your Journey Together Curriculum: September 16, 2025 & March 3, 2026
- Supporting Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation with Resilience-Building Resources: September 23, 2025 & February 10, 2026
- Take Care of You, Take on Behavior Concerns: January 13, 2026 & June 2, 2026

See <u>the EI Events Calendar</u> for event details and registration links.

#### Reflective Supervision Training

Training in reflective supervision techniques is required to obtain the five year EISC Supervisor credential. The three-part asynchronous Reflective Supervision series on the <u>Institute for the Advancement of the Family Support Professionals website</u> fulfills this requirement. All three parts must be completed to meet the requirement for the EISC Supervisor credential.

- <u>Reflective Supervision 1: Reflective Practice for Family Support Professionals</u>
- <u>Reflective Supervision 2: Foundations in Reflective Supervision for Supervisors</u>
- <u>Reflective Supervision 3: Best Practice in Reflective Supervision for Supervisors</u>