Back-to-Basics on Part C
Early Childhood Transition—What You Need to Know About Indicator C8

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Reporting Transitions—
IDEA Part C SPP/APR Indicator 8

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Welcome to Back-to-Basics on Indicator 8 Transition From Part C
Participant Outcomes

- Increase understanding of IDEA Part C Indicator 8 transition requirements to ensure high-quality data for State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) reporting.

- Learn about available resources and supports for understanding and reporting Indicator C8 data.
Who is on the call?
IDEA Transition Requirements

**Part C**

- Develop individualized family service plan (IFSP) transition steps and services 90 days to 9 months before child turns 3.
- Notify state and local education agencies (LEAs).
- Conduct a transition conference 90 days to 9 months before child turns 3.

**Part B**

- State education agencies (SEAs) and LEAs accept transition notification.
- LEA attends Part C transition conferences.
- Children referred by Part C, found eligible for Part B, have an individualized education program (IEP) developed and implemented by their third birthdays.
SPP/APR Indicators and Measurement Tables

SPP/APR Indicators
Part C: Indicator 8

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Indicators 8A, 8B, and 8C: Targets must be 100%

- Describe the results of the calculations and compare the results to the target.
- Describe the method used to collect these data.

Indicators 8A and 8C: If data are from the State’s monitoring, describe the procedures used to collect these data. If data are from State monitoring, also describe the method used to select EEBs programs for monitoring. If data are from a state database, describe the time period in which the data were collected (e.g., September through December, fourth quarter, selection from the full reporting period) and how the data accurately reflect data for infants and toddlers with IFSPs for the full reporting period.

Indicator 8A: States are not required to report in their calculation the number of cases for whom the State has identified the cause for the delay as exceptional family circumstances documented in the child’s record. If a State chooses to report in its...
OSEP Resources

https://osep.grads360.org/#program
OSEP SPP/APR Resources
Measurement Tables

Part B
- Part B State Page
- Part B 2016 SPP/APR Memo
- Part B 2016 Measurement table
- Part B 2016 Instructions
- Part B 2016 Related Requirements

Part C
- Part C State Page
- Part C 2016 SPP/APR Memo
- Part C 2016 Measurement table
- Part C 2016 Instructions
- Part C 2016 Related Requirements
- Part C 2016 ICC Form
- National Data for Indicators C5/C6

General Resources
- Status of Indicator Prepopulation: Prepopulation data will be loaded for all indicators except Part B Indicator 3 by Thursday, December 17. We appreciate your patience, as we recognize that this is later than initially planned, and we hope that everyone will continue to find that the prepopulated data helps you complete your SPP/APR. We are...
Indicator 8. The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services 90 days to 9 months before child’s third birthday.
- B. Notified SEA and LEA of potentially eligible children.
- C. Conducted the transition conference with approval of the family.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)
Indicators 8A, 8B, and 8C Targets Must Be 100% — Compliance

- Describe the results of the calculations and compare the results to the target.
- Describe the method used to collect these data.
- Provide the actual numbers used in the calculation.
- Account for untimely transition planning under 8A, 8B, and 8C, including the reasons for delays.
Data Sources and Measurement Approaches

States use a variety of data sources for reporting on this indicator:

- monitoring data (e.g., file review and self-assessment);
- state data system; or
- combinations of these approaches.
SPP/APR Indicator 8A

Percent of toddlers for whom the Part C Agency has developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler’s 3rd birthday.

**Measurement:** Percent = [((# of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who have an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to their 3rd birthday) divided by the (# of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C))] times 100.
For Indicators 8A and 8C

- If data are from the state’s monitoring,
  - describe the procedures used to collect these data; and
  - describe the method used to select early intervention services (EIS) programs for monitoring.

- If data are from a state database,
  - describe the time period in which the data were collected (e.g., September through December, fourth quarter, selection from the full reporting period); and
  - describe how the data accurately reflect data for infants and toddlers with IFSPs for the full reporting period.
Indicator 8A, Exceptional Family Circumstances

- A state is not required to report in its calculation the number of children for whom the state has identified the cause for the delay as exceptional family circumstances documented in the child’s record.

- If a state chooses to report in its calculation children for whom the state has identified the cause for the delay as exceptional family circumstances documented in the child’s record, the state should include the numbers of these children in the numerator and denominator.

- A state should include in the discussion of the data the numbers the state used to determine its calculation and report separately the number of documented exceptional family circumstances.
Reporting Indicator 8A

- What mechanism does your state use to report on transition steps in the IFSP?
  - Monitoring
  - Database
  - Other
SPP/APR Indicator 8B

Percent of toddlers for whom the Agency has notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the state) the (SEA) and the (LEA) where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler’s third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

- Measurement: Percent = \[
\frac{\# \text{ of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where notification (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) to the SEA and LEA occurred at least 90 days prior to their third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services}}{\# \text{ of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B}}\] times 100.
Indicator 8B Opt Out of Notification

- The state may adopt written policy that requires the Lead Agency to provide notice to the parent of impending notification and allows the parent a specified time period to “opt out” of the referral.
- Under the state’s opt-out policy, the state is not required to include in the 8B calculation (in the numerator or denominator) the number of children whose parents have opted out.
- The state must include in the discussion of data the number of parents who opted out.
- The written opt-out policy must be on file with the U.S. Department of Education as part of the state’s Part C IDEA application.
Children Potentially Eligible

- The Part C Lead Agency defines the potentially eligible policy.
- In many states, all children receiving Part C services are considered potentially eligible.
- Characteristics of potentially eligible policies include children who
  - have IFSPs;
  - are turning 2 years old;
  - are not attaining IFSP outcomes; or
  - are served under established condition or developmental delay categories.
Potentially Eligible

- What definition best matches the definition of “potentially eligible” that your state is using?
  - All children with IFSPs
  - Children who are 2
  - Children not meeting their IFSP goals
  - Children with established conditions or who are developmentally delayed

If none match, please type your state definition in the chat box.
Transition Notification 8B

SEA and LEA notification must include

- child’s name;
- child’s date of birth; and
- parent contact information; and

may include

- service coordinator’s name and contact information; and
- language(s) spoken by the child and family.
Sharing Transition Notification 8B Data

- What mechanism does your state use to share data from Part C to Part B?
  - Electronic automatic notification to both state and LEA
  - Electronic reporting to state and Excel or paper reporting to LEA
  - Excel or paper reporting to state and LEA
  - Other, please type in chat
SPP/APR Indicator 8C

**Percent of toddlers for whom the Agency has**
conducted the transition conference held with the approval
of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all
parties, not more than 9 months, prior to the toddler’s third
birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool
services.

- **Measurement:** Percent = [((# of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where the transition conference occurred at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties not more than nine months, prior to the toddler’s third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B) divided by the (# of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B))] times 100.
Indicator 8C, Approval and Exceptional Circumstances

- States do not include in the calculation, but provide a separate number for, those toddlers whose parent did not provide approval for the transition conference.

- States are not required to report in their calculation the number of children for whom the state has identified the cause for the delay as exceptional family circumstances documented in the child’s record.

- If a state chooses to report in its calculation children for whom the state has identified the cause for the delay as exceptional family circumstances documented in the child’s record, the state should include the numbers of these children in the numerator and denominator.

- States should include in the discussion of the data the numbers the state used to determine its calculation and report separately the number of documented family circumstance delays.
Transition Planning

- What mechanism does your state use to report timely transition planning conferences?
  - Database, census reporting for all children
  - Portion of the year
  - Monitoring
SPP/APR Part B Child Find
Indicator B12 - IEP by Age 3

Percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, and who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthday.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))
Key Points in Transition C to B

These two data points should be the same

**Indicator C8B:** number of potentially eligible toddlers exiting Part C for whom the Lead Agency has notified the SEA and LEA.

and

**Indicator B12, component a:** number of potentially eligible children served in Part C and referred to Part B for eligibility determination.
Key Points in Transition C to B (cont.)

Differences in state notification timelines, processes, and definitions of children who are potentially eligible for Part B services account for some differences in

- overall number of Part C children referred;
  and

- variations among states in Part B Indicator B12 component percentages.
Using Transition Data

- Does your state have a monitoring or data verification system for locating children referred from Part C who are not accounted for in the Part B system?
- How is the state using these data?
Transition from Part C to Preschool

There is a need to ensure seamless transitions for children and their families as they leave Part C and other early childhood programs, so they have timely access to appropriate services. Families need to move smoothly from one program or system to another, or among services within a program or system. State and local structures, policies, interagency agreements, personnel development processes, and other mechanisms must be in place to support the transition process.

Federal Laws & Regulations
- IDEA

OSEP Resources
- Transition Processes: Tools and Needs Assessments
- OSEP Guidance
- OSEP Policy Letters

National Centers
- CONNECT: The Center to Mobilize Early Childhood Knowledge
- National Early Childhood Transition Center (NECTC)
- Early Head Start National Resource Center (EHS NRC)
- Head Start Early Childhood Learning & Knowledge Center (ECLKC)

State Resources
- Agreements
- Training Materials

http://ectacenter.org/topics/transition/transition.asp
OSEP-Approved Resources on ECTA Site

Part C to Part B Early Childhood Transition Timeline for SPP/APR Indicators C-8A, 8B, 8C, B-11 and B-12

For Part C Children Determined Eligible at least 90 Days Prior to their 3rd Birthday

Development of Transition Plan C-8A
- Required for all toddlers receiving Part C services prior to exiting Part C.
- Must be developed, with involvement of the family no more than 3 months and no less than 90 days before the toddler’s 3rd birthday.
- Must identify appropriate steps and services in IFSP as defined in content of plan.
- §303.209(6)(3) and §303.344(h), which includes confirmation in IFSP of transition notification and transfer of records with parental consent, if required.
- IFSP meeting to develop transition plan may be conducted with the Transition Conference.
- Must obtain parental consent, if required, to disclose personally identifiable information.
- Make reasonable efforts to convene conference for children not potentially eligible for Part B.

Initial Evaluation for Part B B-11
- Provide prior written notice.
- Obtain parental consent for evaluation.
- Must be completed within 90 days of receipt of consent or State-established timeline or sooner if needed to ensure that IEP is developed and implemented by age three.

Eligibility Determination

IEP Meeting - IEP Development B-12
- Inform parents that Part C Service Coordinator or other representative may be invited to IEP meeting.
- Invite Part C Service Coordinator or other Part C representative at parent request.
- Conduct IEP meeting to develop IEP within 30 days of eligibility determination or sooner if needed to ensure that IEP is developed and implemented by age three.
- Consider most recent IFSP when developing IEP.
- Provide prior written notice.
- Obtain parental consent for initial provision of special education and related services.

Implementation of the IEP B-12
- IEP is implemented by age three.
- If a child turns three during the summer, and the child does not require Extended School Year (ESY) services, special education and related services may begin in the new school year.

Transition Notification for Children Potentially Eligible for Part B Services to the SEA and LEA of Residence (Referral to Part B) C-8B
- Must occur for all toddlers receiving Part C services as of 90 days prior to 3rd birthday who are potentially eligible for Part B unless parent opts out pursuant to OSEP-approved State opt-out policy.
- Must confirm that the child is potentially eligible based on IFSP team determination.
- Notification to LEA and invitation to the LEA for transition planning conference may be combined.
- Part B provides notice of procedural safeguards to family after notification.

Transition Conference for Children Potentially Eligible for Part B Services C-8C
- Must occur with parent approval, at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties 9 months, prior to 3rd birthday for all toddlers determined eligible for Part C & who are potentially eligible for Part B.
- Must invite LEA to the conference.
- May combine transition conference with IFSP meeting to develop the transition plan.
- Must obtain parent consent, if required, to disclose personally identifiable information to LEA.
- LEA representative must participate in conference, if invited.
- Part B must provide parents with notice of procedural safeguards, if this has not yet occurred.

Age 2 yrs 3 mos (27 months) | Age 2 yrs 9 mos (33 months) | Age 3 yrs (36 months)

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