

MSDE Public Website of State Performance Plan Results

Local Infants and Toddlers Program Results for Early Intervention Services

Maryland: Indicator 1

Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

Results

	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
State Baseline:	86%	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Target:	-	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
State Results:	-	96%	-	-	-	-	-
State Total# of Children:	-	8680	-	-	-	-	-
State Indicator Measurement:	-	8335	-	-	-	-	-

Narrative Description of Indicator

To report the percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who received early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner between 7/1/05-6/30/06, MSDE generated a report from the statewide Part C database comparing the IFSP meeting date and the projected service initiation date for all services on initial IFSPs and any service added during the time period with the State's criteria for timely service delivery: not later than 30 days from the date of parent's signature on the IFSP. The target data reported for this indicator includes data for all children from all 24 LITPS. MSDE and LITPs verified family-related reasons or IFSP team decision making for the legitimate initiation of services outside the 30-day timeline, and the electronic report was modified based on the results of the State and local review and validation.

Prior to OSEP's issuance of the Part C monitoring indicators and the SPP/APR templates, MSDE was not able to track timely service delivery through the statewide database data to identify LITPs in need of assistance and intervention, as has been done with other compliance indicators. Baseline data reported in the SPP for this indicator was collected through a special summary report generated by the database developer, but local child-level data was not available at that time for review and validation. The baseline percentage of 86% did not include children whose services were not provided in a timely manner because of family-related reasons or reasons related to IFSP decision making based on the needs of the child.

The percent of infants and toddlers who received timely early intervention services increased from SPP Baseline of 86% to 96%, including 1% of children whose services were delayed due to family-related reasons. While the State did not meet the 100% compliance target for this indicator, progress toward meeting the target can be attributed to improved data review and reporting, the development and initial implementation of a system to track and monitor improvement in this area, and increased local efforts to monitor timely service delivery and document reasons for services delivered outside the timeline.