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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%	99.0%	-	-	-	-
State Total# of Children:	-	8680	6623	-	-	-	-
State Indicator Measurement:	-	8335	6657	-	-	-	-

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 7/1/06-6/30/07, MSDE's database developer 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 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 report was modified based on the results of the State and local review and the LITP validation.

MSDE continued to monitor the implementation of the timely service requirement through the data system. The timely service indicator was added to the local data profile, which was distributed to all LITPs semiannually. MSDE required that all LITPs implement an improvement plan with strategies to achieve 100% compliance, to collect and validate the service initiation date for all IFSP services and the reasons why any service was not delivered in a timely manner, and to monitor compliance with the requirement on an ongoing basis. MSDE required that the improvement plan for this indicator be submitted with the annual local application for funds and the grant award for FFY 06 was contingent on approval of the plan.

The percent of infants and toddlers who received timely early intervention services increased from 96% in FFY 2005 to 99% in FFY 2006. These percentages included children whose services were delayed due to family-related reasons. The State did not have 100% compliance for this indicator but has continued to make progress in the timeliness of service delivery.