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August 4, 2008

Dr. William J. Aumiller Superintendent Allegany County Public Schools P.O. Box 1724 Cumberland, Maryland 21502

Dear Dr. Aumiller:

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Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

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Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program

Part C Local Determination Table Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2006) July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

	[Compliance Indicator]
	A. IFSP with transition steps and
The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:
The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%.	8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's
indicator is 100%.	
improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 98%. The State's target for this	within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]
for this indicator are 100%. This represents an	evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted
The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an
4.50%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	B. National data. [Results Indicator]
This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of	A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and
The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 5.40%.	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:
Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
s s 5 +5 + 0	The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 5.40%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 4.50%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%. The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 98%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%. The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.

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MSDE looks forward to Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification.
MSDE looks forward to Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	This was an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 89%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]
The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator.	The Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%.	8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's
		[Compliance Indicator]
MSDE looks forward to Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	ransition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B.
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MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators

Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	 State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual 	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
618 data and Final Program Report in a timely and accurate manner. Submission of the Semi-Annual Program Report was accurate but not timely.	Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program submitted	Status
submission of the Semi-Annual Program Report represents the untimely submission of data. MSDE expects Allegany County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.	Allegany County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006. The late	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



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Dr. Kevin Maxwell Superintendent Anne Arundel County Public Schools 2644 Riva Road Annapolis, MD 21401

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Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State target for Indicator 6, and not being significantly below the target in Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and B. National data. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 1.01%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 0.68%. The State's target is 1.50%.	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 87.6%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 data of 88.5%. The State's target is 89%	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 97%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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	 8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and 	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.
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[Compliance Indicator]	accurate.	Performance Report) are timely and	Performance Plan and Annual	14. State reported data (618 and State	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
and accurate manner.	program reports in a timely	submitted 618 data and	and Toddlers Program	Anne Arundel County Infants	Status
MSDE expects Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.		FFY 2006.	timely and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for	Anne Arundel County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



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Dr. Gregory Branch August 4, 2008 Page Two

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services. [Compliance Indicator]	transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and	8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's	within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted	 Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an 	=	B. National data. [Results Indicator]	 A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and 	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
522	The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Baltimore County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 97%.	from the FFY 2005 results of 90%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	for this indicator are 96%. This represents improvement	The Baltimore County Infants and Toddlers Program data		3.33%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	Tor this indicator are 3.43%. This represents improvement from the FFV 2005 data of	The Baltimore County Infants and Toddlers Program data	Status
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Mr. Jack Smith August 4, 2008 Page Two

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The MSDE FFY 2005 determination for the Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program was also Needs Assistance. In accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be in need of assistance for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) Advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local Infants and Toddlers Program address the areas in which the program needs assistance; 2) Direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) Identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program as a high-risk grantee and impose special conditions on the local Infants and Toddlers Program's IDEA Part C grant award.

In collaboration with MSDE, the Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program is to identify the type, amount, and frequency of assistance needed to address the specific needs in Indicator 7 (45 Day timeline). MSDE is available to consult with the local Infants and Toddlers Program by telephone, fax, email, mail, or in-person.

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 Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. 	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 96%. This represents an	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator.
in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	This represents an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 92%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.
2. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 90.7%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 reported data of 83.1%. The State's target for this indicator 89%.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.
5. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to:A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; andB. National data.[Results Indicator]	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 1.43%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 1.03%. The State's target for this indicator 1.50%.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.

		A. IFSP with transition steps and services. [Compliance Indicator]
MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:
The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%.	8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's
soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	this indicator is 100%.	[Compliance Indicator]
MSDE expects the Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as	This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 59%. The State's target for	initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.
The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 75%.	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an
	target for this indicator 2.88%.	[Results Indicator]
	data of 2.76%. The State's	B. National data.
MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007	This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 reported	 A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and
The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators

9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]	8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]	nd.	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program had a Corrective Action Plan in indicator 7.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 96%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program corrected non-compliance.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.	The Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

nce Indicator]	Performance Report) are timely and 618 data and program reaccurate.	14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Toddlers Program submittee	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators St
MSDE expects Calvert County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.	618 data and program reports in a timely and accurate	Calvert County Infants and Calvert County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the timely and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006.	Status MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



August 4, 2008

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Dr. Edward Shirley Superintendent Caroline County Public Schools Department 204 Franklin Street Denton, MD 21629

Dear Dr. Shirley:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. $\S1416(a)(1)(C)(i)$, states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under $\S1416(d)$ to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with $\S1416(e)$ of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

Dr. Edward Shirley August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2, 5, and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for four of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, and 8b); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

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- Part C Local Determination Table; and
- Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention.

The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and Toddlers Program.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent Division of Special Education/

Early Intervention Services

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Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Part C Local Determination Table Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2006) July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

5.	;	7	₹
Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and B. National data.	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 3.11%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 2.86%. The State's target for this indicator is 1.50%.	Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program reported data for this indicator are 97.7%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 96%. The State's target for this indicator is 89%.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Caroline County Infants and Toddler Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; andB. National data.[Results Indicator]
7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]
 8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and services. [Compliance Indicator]

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General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator] 	8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 87%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 63%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 88%. The State's target for this indicator is100%.	Status
MSDE looks forward to Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	tate	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
Toddlers Program submitted 618 data in a timely and accurate manner. Submission of the Semi-Annual Program Report and Final Program Report was accurate but not timely.	Caroline County Infants and	Status
submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006. The late submission of the Semi-Annual and Final Program Reports represent the untimely submission of data. MSDE expects Caroline County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.	Caroline County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the accurate	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



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August 4, 2008

Dr. Charles Ecker Superintendent Carroll County Public Schools 125 N. Court Street Westminster, MD 21157

Dear Dr. Ecker:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview – Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators considered in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be Needs Assistance (Year 2).

Dr. Charles Ecker August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program Needs Assistance include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2, 5 and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for three of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b), and significantly below the target in Indicator 7; and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

- Overview Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations;
- Part C Local Determination Scoring Criteria;
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- Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention.

The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local school system.

The MSDE FFY 2005 determination for the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program was also Needs Assistance. In accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be in need of assistance for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) Advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local Infants and Toddlers Program address the areas in which the program needs assistance; 2) Direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) Identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program as a high-risk grantee and impose special conditions on the local Infants and Toddlers Program's IDEA Part C grant award.

In collaboration with MSDE, the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program is to identify the type, amount, and frequency of assistance needed to address the specific needs in Indicator 7 (45 Day timeline), Indicator 8c, (Timely Transition Planning), and Indicator 14 (Timely and Accurate Data). MSDE is available to consult with the local Infants and Toddlers Program by telephone, fax, email, mail, or in-person.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

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The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

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Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program

Part C Local Determination Table Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2006) July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

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Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and B. National data. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 2.05%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 1.89%. The State's target for this indicator is 1.50%.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 97.4%. This represents slight slippage from the FFY 2005 reported data of 98%. The State's target for this indicator is 89%.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 99%. This was a slight slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 49%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 90%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 3.22%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 2.88%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.
The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.

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The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program had a Corrective Action Plan due in indicator 7.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 92%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 81%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program corrected non-compliance.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps
14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and Semi-Annual Program Report in a timely and accurate manner. Submission of the Final Program Report was accurate	Carroll County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006. The late submission of the Final Program Report represents the untimely submission of data. MSDF expects Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of
	Program Report was accurate but not timely.	MSDE expects Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.



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August 4, 2008

Mr. Henry Shaffer Interim Superintendent Cecil County Public Schools 201 Booth Street Elkton, Maryland 21921

Dear Mr. Shaffer:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 academic year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

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The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators considered in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be Needs Assistance.

Mr. Henry Shaffer August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program **Needs Assistance** include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for four of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14), with data in Indicator 7 below 85%; and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

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The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and Toddlers Program.

Please be advised that in accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be **Needs Assistance** for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local program address the areas in which the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; 2) direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program as a high-risk grantee and impose special conditions on the local Infants and Toddlers Program's IDEA Part C grant award.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local school system on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local school system performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for students with disabilities. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

Mr. Henry Shaffer August 4, 2008 Page Three

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for students with disabilities. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent Division of Special Education/ Early Intervention Services

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Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program

	.	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.	Status The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This	Ints and a for 6. This
		in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	this indicator are 100%. This represents an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 99%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	MSDE looks forward to Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.
N)	2.	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100.0%. This was the same result reported for EFV 2005. The	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. Mene looks forward to Cecil County Infants and Toddler Program FEV 2007
		[Results Indicator]	reported for FFY 2005. The State's target is 89%.	data demonstrating continued success.
	s.	Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to:	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 0.07%. This	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.
		A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and	represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 1.55%.	MSDE expects the Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully
		B. National data. [Results Indicator]	The State's target is 1.50%.	implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.

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	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 76%. This represents slippage from the	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's AS day timeline.
	this indicator is 2.88%.	[Results Indicator]
MSDE looks forward to Cecil County Infants and Toddler Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 2.75%. The State's target for	A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; andB. National data.
The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator.	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 3 40%. This	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators

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Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by	appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator]	8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's	their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]	 General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. 	[Compliance Indicator]
Status	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's	for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 86%. This	The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program had a Corrective Action Plan due in indicator 7.	
MSDE Analysis/Next Stens	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program FFV 2007	MSDE looks forward to Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator.	implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program corrected non-compliance.	

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps
14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate.	Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and program reports in a timely and accurate	Cecil County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the timely and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006.
[Compliance Indicator]	manner.	MSDE expects Cecil County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.



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August 4, 2008

Chinnadurai Devadson, M.D. Health Officer Charles County Health Department 4545 Crain Highway, P.O. Box 1050 White Plains, MD 20695

Dear Dr. Devadson:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

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Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State target for Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

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- Part C Local Determination Table; and
- Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention.

The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and Toddlers Program.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely.

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent Division of Special Education/

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Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program

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 Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and B. National data. [Results Indicator] 	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 1.31%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 0.82%. The State's target is 1.50%.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 98.6%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 98.4%. The State's target is 89%.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was an improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 98%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; andB. National data.[Results Indicator]	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	 8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and services. [Compliance Indicator]
Status	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 2.52%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 2.11%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 99%. This represents slight slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.

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	9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator] 	 8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator] 	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 94%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 96%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
	MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

MSDE expects Charles County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.	manner.	[Compliance Indicator]
	618 data and program reports in a timely and accurate	Performance Report) are timely and accurate.
and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006.	Toddlers Program submitted	Performance Plan and Annual
Charles County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the timely	Charles County Infants and	14. State reported data (618 and State
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators



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August 4,2008

Dr. Frederic Hildebrand Superintendent Dorchester County Public Schools P.O. Box 619 Cambridge, MD 21613

Dear Dr. Hildebrand:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

Dr. Frederic Hildebrand August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State targets for Indicators 2, 5, and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

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The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and Toddlers Program.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent

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Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program

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	 8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and services. [Compliance Indicator] 	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	 6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and B. National data. [Results Indicator] 	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This data meet the State's target of 100%.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 93%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 5.17%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 5.08%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	Status
	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 result of 90%. This data meet the State's target of 100%.	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]
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MSDE looks forward to Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. This data meet the State's target of 100%.	transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and
The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator.	The Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are	8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	
14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and	Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and	Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the timely and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006.
accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	program reports in a timely and accurate manner.	MSDE expects Dorchester County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.



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August 4, 2008

Barbara Brookmyer, M.D., M.P.H. Health Officer Frederick County Health Department 350 Montevue Lane Frederick, MD 21702

Dear Dr. Brookmyer:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

Dr. Barbara Brookmyer August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State target for Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for six of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

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Assistant State Superintendent

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[Compliance Indicator]	planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and services.	8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C	initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an	B. National data. [Results Indicator]	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
	for this indicator are 96%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Frederick County Infants	This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 99%.	2.63%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 2.85%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of	Status
	MSDE looks forward to Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial	MSDE looks forward to Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating 100% compliance.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator.	implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

FFY 2006 SPP/APR Determinations Table

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MSDE looks forward to Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Frederick County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]
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MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators

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August 4, 2008

Ms. Crystal Stewart
President/CEO
Garrett County Partnership for Children and Families
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Dear Ms. Stewart:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C was at the level of Meets Requirements.

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The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators considered in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Garrett County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be Needs Assistance (Year 2).

Ms. Crystal Stewart August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Garrett County Infants and Toddlers Program Needs Assistance include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 5; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance four five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, and 14), but significantly below the target in Indicator 8c; and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

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The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Garrett County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local school system.

The MSDE FFY 2005 determination for the Carroll County Infants and Toddlers Program was also Needs Assistance. In accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be in need of assistance for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) Advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local Infants and Toddlers Program address the areas in which the program needs assistance; 2) Direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) Identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program as a high-risk grantee and impose special conditions on the local Infants and Toddlers Program's IDEA Part C grant award.

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Ms. Crystal Stewart August 4, 2008 Page Three

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Garrett County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent Division of Special Education/ Early Intervention Services

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Garrett County Infants and Toddlers Program

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August 4, 2008

Ms. Susan Kelly Acting Health Officer Harford County Health Department P. O. Box 797 Bel Air, MD 21014

Dear Ms. Kelly:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

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Ms. Susan Kelly August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Harford County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State target for Performance Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for six of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

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Harford County Infants and Toddlers Program

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August 4, 2008

Dr. Sydney L. Cousin Superintendent Howard County Public Schools 10910 Route 108 Ellicott City, MD 21042

Dear Dr. Cousin:

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Dr. Sydney L. Cousin August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Howard County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for six of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D. Assistant State Superintendent

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Howard County Infants and Toddlers Program

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Status	The Howard County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents an	improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 92%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Howard County Infants and Toddlers Program reported data for this indicator are 92.7%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 89.9%. The State's target is 89%.	The Howard County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 1.09%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 data of 0.91%. The State's target is 1.50%.
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August 4, 2008

Dr. A. Barbara Wheeler Interim Superintendent Kent County Public Schools 215 Washington Avenue Chestertown, MD 21620

Dear Dr. Wheeler:

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Dr. A. Barbara Wheeler August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Kent County Infants and Toddlers Program **Needs Assistance** include: (1) Not meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2, 5, and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (Indicator 1, 7, 8a, 8b, and 14), but significantly below the target in Indicator 8c; and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

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In collaboration with MSDE, the Kent County Infants and Toddlers Program is to identify the type, amount, and frequency of assistance needed to address the specific needs in Indicator 8c, (Timely Transition Planning), Indicator 2 (Natural Environments), Indicator 5 (Child Find 0-1), and Indicator 6 (Child Find 0-3). MSDE is available to consult with the local Infants and Toddlers Program by telephone, fax, email, mail, or in-person.

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Dr. A. Barbara Wheeler August 4, 2008 Page Three

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Kent County Infants and Toddlers Program Part C Local Determination Table Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2006)

July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

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August 4, 2008

Uma S. Ahluwalia Director Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services 401 Hungerford Drive Rockville, MD 20850

Dear Ms. Ahluwalia:

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Ms. Uma S. Ahluwalia August 4, 2008 Page Two

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As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

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Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program

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14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and Semi-Annual and Final Program Reports in a timely manner. Program Reports were considered accurate. Differences in the number of children in the program, 8.18%, and in Natural Environments, 9.68%, were found by examining the differences between data analyzed in December 2005 and in June 2008. Thus, the submission of 618 data was not considered accurate.	Status
Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006. Submission of 618 Data was not considered accurate. MSDE expects Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



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August 4, 2008

Donald Shell, M.D. Health Officer Prince George's County Health Department 1701 McCormick Drive Largo, MD 20773

Dear Dr. Shell:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C was at the level of Meets Requirements.

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Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program Needs Assistance include: (1) Not meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2, 5, and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for three of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, and 8b,); and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

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In collaboration with MSDE, the Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program is to identify the type, amount, and frequency of assistance needed to address the specific needs in Indicator 7 (45-day Timeline), Indicator 8c (Timely Transition Planning), Indicator 14, (Timely and Accurate Data), Indicator 2 (Natural Environments), Indicator 5 (Child Find 0-1), and Indicator 6 (Child Find 0-3). MSDE is available to consult with the local Infants and Toddlers Program by telephone, fax, email, mail, or in-

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The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

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Prince George's County Infants and Toddlers Program

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]
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7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]
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MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	Status	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators



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August 4, 2008

Dr. Carol A. Williamson Superintendent Queen Anne's County Public Schools 202 Chesterfield Avenue Centreville, MD 21617

Dear Dr. Williamson:

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The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Queen Anne's County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

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Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Queen Anne's County Infants and Toddlers Program **Meets Requirements** include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, and 8c) but not significantly below in any Compliance Indicator; and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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Queen Anne's County Infants and Toddlers Program-

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	Annual Program Report was	MSDE expects Queen Anne's County Infants and Toddlers Program's
	accurate but not timely.	submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.



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August 4, 2008

William Icenhower, M.D. Health Officer St. Mary's County Health Department P.O. Box 316 Leonardtown, MD 20650

Dear Dr. Icenhower:

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Dr. William Icenhower August 4, 2008 Page Two

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St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps
6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:A. Other States with similar	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 2.28%. This represents	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.
eligibility definitions; and B. National data. [Results Indicator]	slippage from the FFY 2005 data of 2.46%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	MSDE expects the St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.
7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted.	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 88% This represents	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator.
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The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The St. Mary's County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 92%. This represents slight slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 93%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]
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August 4, 2008

Dr. Karen-Lee Brofee Superintendent Somerset County Public Schools 7982-A Crisfield Highway Westover, MD 21871

Dear Dr. Brofee:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be **Meets Requirements**.

Dr. Karen-Lee Brofee August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State target for Performance Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for four of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, and 8b), but not significantly below in any compliance indicator; and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and Toddlers Program.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

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Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program

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:	was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target is 89%	was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target is 89% The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 0.00%. This represents slippage from
	MSDE looks forward to Somerset County Infants and Toddler Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	MSDE looks forward to Somerset County Infants and Toddler Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success. The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.

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Status	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 1.80%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 1.61%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 50%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.
MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Somerset County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.

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August 4, 2008

Dr. Karen Salmon Superintendent Talbot County Public Schools P.O. Box 1029 Easton, MD 21601

Dear Dr. Salmon:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the Intervention of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be Meets Requirements.

Dr. Karen Salmon August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 6; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for six of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

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The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-

Sincerely.

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

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	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 95%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 3.16%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 4.37%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	Status
	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program met the State's target for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Talbot County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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August 4, 2008

Dr. Elizabeth Morgan Superintendent Washington County Public Schools P.O. Box 730 820 Commonwealth Avenue Hagerstown, MD 21741

Dear Dr. Morgan:

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Mr. Elizabeth Morgan August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that Washington County Infants and Toddlers Program Needs Assistance include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 2 and 5; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14), with data in Indicator 7 below 85%; and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were

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Please be advised that in accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be in Needs Assistance for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) Advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local program address the areas in which the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; 2) Direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) Identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program as a high-risk grantee and impose special conditions on the local Infants and Toddlers

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local school system on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local school system performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for students with disabilities. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support

Dr. Elizabeth Morgan August 4, 2008 Page Three

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Washington County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for students with disabilities. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

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Washington County Infants and Toddlers Program

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August 4, 2008

Dr. John Fredericksen Superintendent Wicomico County Public Schools P.O. Box 1538 Salisbury, MD 21802

Dear Dr. Fredericksen:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of Meets Requirements.

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Dr. John Fredericksen August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State target for Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, 8c, and 14) but data in Indicator 7 was not significantly below the target; and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

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The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

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The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 91%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 93%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 2.74%. This represents slight slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 2.78%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	Status
The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator] 	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators 8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator]	Mariania Britania and Indiana
The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	240
MSDE looks forward to Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MCDE Analysis Niggs Chang

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[Compliance Indicator]	accurate.	Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and	14. State reported data (618 and State	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	
manner.	in a timely and accurate	Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and program reports	Wicomico County Infants and	Status	
MSDE expects Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.		and accurate submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006.	Wicomico County Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the timely	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps	

	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps
-	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100% This was the same	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator.
	[Compliance Indicator]	result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.
2.	Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100.0% This was the same	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data met the State's target for this indicator.
	children. [Results Indicator]	result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target is 89%	MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.
5.	Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to: A. Other States with similar	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.
	eligibility definitions; and B. National data.	slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 0.92%. The State's	MSDE expects the Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.
	[Results Indicator]	target is 1.50%.	

Services. [Compliance Indicator]	planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: A. IFSP with transition steps and	8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C	initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an	A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; andB. National data.[Results Indicator]	6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
	data for this indicator are 100%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Worcester County	100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program	1.73%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2005 results of 2.53%. The State's target for this indicator is 2.88%.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program	Status
	MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance	MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator.	MSDE expects the Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure results that meet the State's target.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program results were significantly below the State's target for this indicator.	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps

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	9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator] 	8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator]	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators
	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program had no Corrective Action Plans due for FFY 2006.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 90%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 100%. This was the same result reported for FFY 2005. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Status
	MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued success.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	The Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data represent compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program FFY 2007 data demonstrating continued compliance.	MSDE Analysis/Novt Stone

14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator] [Compliance Indicator] Worcester County Infants an Toddlers Program submitted 618 data and Final Program Report in a timely and accurate manner. Submissio of the Semi-Annual Program Report was accurate but not timely.	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators St
MSDE expects Worcester required FFY 2007 data to	Status MSDE Analysis/Next Steps



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August 4, 2008

Dr. Jon Andes Superintendent Worcester County Public Schools 6270 Worcester Highway Newark, MD 21841

Dear Dr. Andes:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the Intervention of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C Determination was at the level of

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency that lists the Part C indicators included in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through determined to be Meets Requirements.

Dr. Jon Andes August 4, 2008 Page Two

Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program Meets Requirements include: (1) Meeting State target for Performance Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for five of six Compliance Indicators (1, 7, 8a, 8b, and 8c); and (3) Findings of noncompliance identified by the State in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 06.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

- Overview Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations;
- Part C Local Determination Scoring Criteria;
- Part C Local Determination Table; and
- Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention.

The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local Infants and

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access the information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Worcester County Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-

Sincerely,

Carol arm Bazla Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D.

Assistant State Superintendent Division of Special Education/

Early Intervention Services

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August 4, 2008

Joshua Sharfstein, M.D. Health Officer Baltimore City Health Department 210 Guilford Avenue Baltimore, MD 21202

Dear Dr. Sharfstein:

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004 (IDEA) focuses on each state's accountability on the State Performance Plan (SPP) indicators defined by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP). OSEP reviews each state's SPP and Annual Performance Report (APR) annually. Using the information obtained through review of the APR and other data sources, OSEP evaluates each state's performance on these indicators, and assigns each state to one of four levels of determination: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, or Needs Substantial Intervention. The determinations required under the federal statute are part of the on-going efforts to improve results for children and youth with disabilities. On June 6, 2008 OSEP issued its determination letters to each state's lead agency for Part C on the implementation of IDEA for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2006, the 2006-2007 fiscal year. OSEP notified the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) that Maryland's Part C was at the level of Meets Requirements.

Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. §1416(a)(1)(C)(i), states are required to assign these same levels of determination annually under §1416(d) to each local Infants and Toddlers Program based on performance. In accordance with §1416(e) of IDEA 2004, states must use one of the following four categories to assign a determination to each local Infants and Toddlers Program: Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention, and Needs Substantial Intervention.

The MSDE, Division of Special Education/Early Intervention Services, uses a results-based rubric on specific indicators to rate each public agency's performance in meeting the State's targets as defined by the SPP for Part C. Attached is a document entitled "Overview - Part C and Part B Public Agency Determinations" that lists the Part C indicators considered in making determinations. MSDE carefully considered all aspects of this process. Based on available data, as well as information obtained through monitoring and complaint investigations, the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program has been determined to be Needs Assistance (Year 2).

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Specific factors affecting MSDE's determination that the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program Needs Assistance include: (1) Meeting State targets for Performance Indicators 5 and 6, but significantly below the target in Indicator 2; (2) Demonstrating substantial compliance for four of six Compliance Indicators (1, 8a, 8b, and 9); and (3) Findings for noncompliance identified in FFY 2005 were corrected within timelines in FFY 2006.

Attached to this letter are copies of the following documents:

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The "Part C Local Determination Table" provides an analysis of the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data. The "Part C Local Determination Framework for Technical Assistance and Intervention" provides additional information relative to technical assistance and support available to your local school system.

The MSDE FFY 2005 determination for the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program was also Needs Assistance. In accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1416(e) and 34 C. F. R. §§300.600 and 300.604, if a local Infants and Toddlers Program is determined to be in need of assistance for two consecutive years, MSDE must take one or more of the following actions: 1) advise the local Infants and Toddlers Program of available sources of technical assistance that may help the local Infants and Toddlers Program address the areas in which the program needs assistance; 2) direct the use of federal funds to the area or area(s) the local Infants and Toddlers Program needs assistance; or 3) identify the local Infants and Toddlers Program's IDEA Part C grant award.

In collaboration with MSDE, the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program is to identify the type, amount, and frequency of assistance needed to address the specific needs in Indicator 2 (Natural Environments), Indicator 7 (45 Day timeline) and Indicator 8c (Timely Transition Planning Meetings). MSDE is available to consult with the local Infants and Toddlers Program by telephone, fax, email, mail, or in-person.

As you know, the State must report annually to the public on the performance of each local Infants and Toddlers Program on the targets in the SPP under IDEA. The public may access information about Maryland's performance at http://mdideareport.org. The requirement for public reporting on local Infants and Toddlers Program performance is a critical provision in ensuring accountability focusing on improved results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. MSDE will continue to provide technical assistance opportunities as you work to improve performance under Part C of the IDEA. If you have any feedback on our past technical assistance efforts or the need for guidance, we would be happy to hear from you as we work to develop further mechanisms to support local improvement activities.

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The MSDE is committed to supporting the efforts of the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program to improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families. If you have any questions, would like to discuss this further, or want to request technical assistance, please do not hesitate to call me at 410-767-0238.

Sincerely,

Carol Axu Baglin' Carol Ann Baglin, Ed. D. Assistant State Superintendent

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Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program Part C Local Determination Table Federal Fiscal Year (FFY 2006) July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007

The Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program corrected non-compliance.	In FFY 2006, the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program had a Corrective Action Plan due in Indicator 7.	9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification. [Compliance Indicator]
The Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data did not meet the State's target for this indicator. MSDE expects the Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program to fully implement improvement activities to ensure correction of noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year.	The Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 85%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 81%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	 8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B. [Compliance Indicator]
The Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data represent substantial compliance for this indicator. MSDE looks forward to Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data demonstrating 100% compliance.	Status The Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program data for this indicator are 99%. This represents improvement from the FFY 2005 results of 92%. The State's target for this indicator is 100%.	Monitoring Priorities and Indicators 8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including: B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and [Compliance Indicator]

Monitoring Priorities and Indicators	Status	MSDE Analysis/Next Steps
14. State reported data (618 and State	Baltimore City Infants and	Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers data met the State's target for the accurate
Performance Plan and Annual	Toddlers Program submitted	submission of required 618 data and program reports for FFY 2006. The late
Performance Report) are timely and	618 data and Final Program	submission of the Semi-Annual Program report represents the untimely
accurate.	Report in a timely and	submission of data.
[Compliance Indicator]	accurate manner. Submission	
[Compilation marketor]	of the Semi-Annual Program	
	Report was accurate but not	MSDE expects Baltimore City Infants and Toddlers Program's submission of
	timely.	required FFY 2007 data to be timely and accurate.