

IDEA APR Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition Determination of Noncompliance Next Steps

Overview

The IDEA APR Support Team, within the division of Federal Programs and Oversight (FPO), supports local education agencies (LEAs) with technical assistance relating to monitoring and compliance for APR reporting for Indicator 6: Preschool LRE, Indicator 7: Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO), and Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition. **The following information includes important next steps regarding the LEA's Indicator 12 responsibilities.**

On May 1, 2023, the LEA was issued a letter that served as formal notification of noncompliance for APR Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition.

Indicator 12: The department identified children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, and who DID NOT have an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) developed and implemented by their third birthdays.

Action Steps

Based on this determination, the LEA is required to complete the following actions designed to correct noncompliance and improve results for preschool children with disabilities.

- By Oct. 1, 2023, the LEA must complete training related to early childhood transition by providing attestation and documentation that all early childhood transition staff members have viewed the [Indicator 12: EC Transition Compliance Training Webinar](#). A sign-in sheet, including the name, position, and signature of each pertinent staff member should be uploaded to ePlan > LEA Document Library > 2024 > Annual Performance Report (APR) Local Determinations > Indicator 12 Actions.
- By Dec. 1, 2023, the LEA must work with their APR Support Consultant to develop Early Childhood Transition Procedures that address Part B timeline compliance. Please use this [revised EC Transition Procedures template](#) to document your LEA's processes for achieving timely Part C to Part B transitions and upload it to ePlan > LEA Document Library > 2024 > Annual Performance Report (APR) Local Determinations > Indicator 12 Actions.
- By Feb. 1, 2024, using the list of untimely Part C to B transitions under the "APR Specific Indicator Data" tab in ePlan, the LEA must ensure that the records are rectified for each of the identified children. This is defined by the following:
 - the child has an active IEP;
 - the child was determined to be non-eligible; *or*
 - the child's record has been inactivated for allowable reasons (and properly documented in TN PULSE, which will launch in early July).

Note: TN PULSE will replace the current EasyIEP system that special education practitioners use and will

include enhanced features.

The IDEA Data Team, led by Zac Stone, will monitor record resolution for Indicator 12 compliance. Data for Indicator 12 will also be pulled during the 2023-24 fiscal year to determine verification of correction. Once 100% compliance is verified, correction of the finding will be documented.

To support your improvement in the area of Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition, please also review the [Indicator 12: EC Transition Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQ\)](#) document and other resources available on the department's [Early Childhood Special Education \(ECSE\) webpage](#). These resources may also be located on [ePlan > TDOE Resources > IDEA Information, Guidance, PPTs, & Webinars > IDEA Guidance and Information](#).

Technical Assistance

The APR Support Team will monitor and assist you with the required actions. For technical assistance related to the preschool indicators, please contact your regional IDEA APR Support Consultant:

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