

Early Intervention Program Updates #2417 September 3, 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

Hopefully, all of you are signed up for DCY's "Tuesday Times" communication. This is our primary distribution method for the EI Program Updates as well as other important information about other DCY programs. If you are not signed up, you can learn more below.

I always invite your feedback. Please do not hesitate to contact me at nathan.dedino@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov. I look forward to hearing from you.

PROGRAM UPDATES

SFY24 County Annual Reports

DCY sent SFY24 county annual summary reports to EI contract managers and FCFC Coordinators on August 21. These reports contain information about referral sources, children served, eligibility reasons, services on initial IFSPs, and exit reasons. The county reports are not posted publicly.

Please contact Taylor Hammond (Taylor.Hammond@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov) with any questions.

SFY24 Annual Child Outcome Summary (COS) Data and Reports

SFY24 county COS reports and data were sent to EI Contract Managers and FCFC Coordinators August 20. Please contact Taylor Hammond (Taylor.Hammond@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov) with any questions.

EI Program Updates in DCY Tuesday Times

As described in EI Program Updates # 2413, all EI Program Updates communications are now incorporated into the DCY "Tuesday Times" communication, which is distributed every other Tuesday. All subscribers to the EI Program Updates at the time of this transition were automatically signed up for the Tuesday Times.

It is important for all local EI team members to sign up for Tuesday Times. You can subscribe or modify your subscription here:

<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/OHDCY/subscriber/new>.

Below are the steps to locate the EI Program Updates within the DCY Tuesday Times.

1. Once you receive the DCY Tuesday Times via email, you will find the EI Program Updates by scrolling down to the Early Education section.

Early Education



2. Look toward the bottom of the Early Education section for Updates and Guidance letters.

Updates and Guidance Letters

3. Within the list of updates and letters, you will find the link to the EI Program Update.

Date	Resource Name
7/1	DCY Update- Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review Overview
8/20	DCY Update- Early Intervention Program Update-2416
8/20	DCY Update- Expanded Ages and Stages Questionnaire Service-Sparkler Webinar Registrations

EI Program Updates will continue to be available on the EI website:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/program-updates>.

Please reach out to your regional Program Consultant if you have any questions.

Guidance Documents

We are pleased to announce our updated guidance documents, and we appreciate your patience as the state team has worked to update them to align with new rules and forms. The updated guidance documents are located here:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/guidance-documents-and-memos>.

- Approved Tools
- Assistive Technology
- Determining Eligibility
- EI Service Delivery
- Identifying EI Parent
- Prior Written Notice and Consent
- Transition Does and Does Not Look Like
- Transition Steps
- Transition Timeline Checklist

Hearing and Vision Checklists and Guidance

Thank you for sharing your feedback regarding the Hearing and Vision Checklists. We have updated both checklists and guidance about how to utilize these checklists as part of the child assessment and/or evaluation. As a reminder, these checklists should be completed by qualified personnel who are part of the child's evaluation and assessment team. We have also changed the process by which the hearing and vision providers will receive the checklist. Please ensure all previously saved versions of these checklists are deleted, as the updated checklists should be used moving forward. The current versions, along with a guidance video and document, can be found on our website at the links below:

Vision: <https://ohioearlyintervention.org/forms/vision-checklist>

Hearing: <https://ohioearlyintervention.org/forms/hearing-checklist>

If you have any questions, please contact your regional EI Program Consultant.

EI-03 Prior Written Notice of Eligibility Determination Guidance and Samples

The EI-03 Prior Written Notice of Eligibility Determination form has *not* changed. The guidance, samples, and video have been updated to include new requirements when completing this form. Moving forward, the "Summary of Evaluation Findings" section of this form is required for all children who receive a developmental evaluation. You can find the updated guidance, sample EI-03s, and video here:

<https://ohioearlyintervention.org/forms/ei-03>.

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Reminder Regarding Early Intervention MyLearning Certificates and OCCRRRA

MyLearning and OCCRRRA are connected via an Application Programming Interface (API). If MyLearning users have entered their names, email addresses, and OPINs correctly into their MyLearning profiles, their courses should automatically be transferred to their OCCRRRA Professional Development tabs.

This process means that OCCRRRA users should *not* manually submit Early Intervention MyLearning certificates into OCCRRRA. These manual course entries will *not* be verified. Courses taken outside of MyLearning should continue to be manually submitted to await verification by OCCRRRA.

If MyLearning courses have not automatically populated in the OCCRRRA Professional Development tab in an individual's profile after 24 hours of course completion, please

email Training Officer Anni Monks (Rhiannon.Monks@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov) for assistance.

Early Childhood ECHO: Act Early Fall 2024

Beginning September 16, the *Fall 2024 Act Early ECHO Series* at Cincinnati Children's Hospital will host eight weekly virtual training sessions. Each of the eight sessions have been approved for one hour of CPDU for early intervention service coordinators, early intervention service coordinator supervisors, and developmental specialists. See the link below for registration instructions and more information:

<https://cchmc.cloud-cme.com/course/courseoverview?P=0&EID=52978>