

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 11, 2023

**TO:** Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents

Public School Academy Directors

**FROM:** Dr. Scott M. Koenigsknecht, Deputy Superintendent

P-20 System and Student Transitions

**SUBJECT:** Determination Requirements under Part C of the Federal Individuals

with Disabilities Education Act

The U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)  $\underline{34\ CFR}$   $\underline{303.700(a)(2)}$ , requires states to make determinations annually about the performance for each *Early On*® early intervention system (local service area). States are required to use one of the <u>four determination categories</u> outlined in Part C of the IDEA to evaluate each local service area:

- meets the requirements and purposes of Part C;
- needs assistance in implementing the requirements of Part C;
- needs intervention in implementing the requirements of Part C; or
- needs substantial intervention in implementing the requirements of Part C.

The data used to calculate each local service area's determination category include:

- State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) compliance indicator data as required by OSEP and aligned with the <u>Michigan Part C of the</u> <u>IDEA State Plan</u>;
- correction of noncompliance/uncorrected noncompliance; and
- child outcomes reporting rate data completeness.

A more detailed communication from Jonnie Taton, director of the Michigan Department of Education's Office of Early Childhood Development and Family Education, will be posted in the May 15, 2023 release of Catamaran that will provide information on the local service area's determination category.

The Michigan Department of Education truly appreciates your efforts to improve results for young children with disabilities and their families and looks forward to continuing its work with you. Please feel free to contact Janet Timbs, manager of Birth to Five Early Childhood Special Education, at <a href="mailto:timbsj@michigan.gov">timbsj@michigan.gov</a> or 517-241-7004 if you have questions.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments

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