

Indicator 12: Early Childhood Transition

What is the purpose of Indicator 12?

Compliance Indicator: Percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, and who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthdays.

Indicator Goal: 100% of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, will have their IEP developed and implemented by their 3rd birthday

Connections to other Indicator results: Timely completion of initial evaluations (Indicator 11), Early Childhood Transition (Part C Indicator 8A), Preschool Outcomes (Indicator 6).

How do I enter or access district data?

1. Districts report Indicator 12 data annually through the state reporting system: Launchpad. Data reported includes data necessary for completing Indicator 11 reporting.
2. Districts can choose to enter their data manually into the Launchpad system or use the provided spreadsheet to enter information and then upload them into Launchpad. After submitting the required information, the district will sign off on the data.
3. Information on how to enter data, who to report, how to access Launchpad, and a link to access the Indicator 11 and 12 Launchpad system can be found at the [SPP/APR website](#).

What is the submission timeline?

Data for Indicator 12 is due September 1st each year. All Part C to Part B transition evaluations completed from July 1 through June 30 of the previous school year will be reported in the Launchpad system under Indicator 12.

How is this Indicator calculated?

$$\% = [(c) \div (a - b - d - e)] \times 100$$

- a. # of children who have been served in Part C and referred to Part B for eligibility determination
- b. # of children referred determined to be NOT eligible and whose eligibility was determined prior to their third birthdays
- c. # of children found eligible who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthday
- d. # of children for whom parent refusal to provide consent caused delays in evaluation or initial services or to whom exceptions under 34 CFR §300.301(d) applied
- e. # of children who were referred to Part C less than 90 days before their third birthday
- f. % of Part C students who transitioned to Part B by their third birthday.

How do I improve my results?

- ✓ All evaluations, the eligibility meeting, and if applicable IEP developed and implemented, **prior to the child turning three years old.**
- ✓ Work with the Part C coordinator to plan transition meetings up to 90 days, and no more than nine months, prior to the child's third birthday; considering evaluation timelines.
- ✓ Schedule Eligibility and IEP meetings during mutually agreeable times with the parent, far ahead of the child's third birthday to prevent rushing the process.
- ✓ Begin the evaluation process early to prevent rushing to completing the requirements.
- ✓ Document all attempts to meet with the parent prior to the child's third birthday. If the parent is hard to meet with, continue to attempt to meet; up to and even after the child's third birthday. Be prepared to offer documented proof of attempts to meet if asked.

Frequently asked questions

How do I know if a child being served from Part C lives in my district?

Part C will notify the district of children residing within their district via email monthly. Children whose third birthdays occur at least 90 days prior to the date sent are included.

What happens if a family who has been referred to Part B declines to provide consent for an initial evaluation?

This child will not be reported on Indicator 12, as consent for evaluation was not received. If the parent chooses to start the evaluation process later, report the child on Indicator 11.

How do I know if the child should be reported on Indicator 11 or 12?

All children reported in Indicator 12 are also initial evaluations. Launchpad combines Indicator 12 with Indicator 11 to complete the Indicator 11 report. The district reports each child. A guide for reporting Indicator 12 students can be found on the SPP website.

Can services begin before the child turns three?

No. Part B (3-21) services can only begin on or after the child's third birthday.

Can the eligibility meeting and IEP meeting happen on or after the child's third birthday?

Eligibility must be determined and, if applicable, an IEP developed and implemented prior to the child's third birthday. If the eligibility and IEP meetings cannot occur before the child's third birthday, continue efforts to complete the meetings and report when the meetings occurred during the reporting period.

RESOURCES

1. State Performance Plan (SPP) Website: <https://doe.sd.gov/sped/SPP.aspx>
2. SD Transition from B-3 to Part B 619 Programs resources: <https://doe.sd.gov/sped/Early-Intervention.aspx>
3. Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA): Early Childhood Transition <https://ectacenter.org/topics/transition/transition.asp>