

Early Childhood Interagency Protocol Instructions

This Early Childhood Interagency Protocol boilerplate outlines the minimal topics that should be addressed through annual joint planning between the Infant Toddler Program's Part C service delivery system (Regions) and the Local Educational Agencies (LEA or school district) serving children under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Regions and districts will jointly review and update this content at least annually. The LEA will initiate annual document review and will submit an assurance of completion to the State Department of Education with their IDEA Part B and Preschool application in the fall of each year. Submission of the completed protocol will be required by 10% of districts annually for verification purposes.

Sections in italicized text outline minimum Federal and State policy requirements and may not be modified.

Text using Ariel font and formatted in boxes contains potential options and negotiation points and may be modified as agreed between the participants. Regions and districts may insert other jointly- agreed upon options for collaboration in any of the boxed fields. In addition, regions and districts may supplement this document with additional topical areas as needed.

All additions must be consistent with IDEA Part C and Part B regulations and support the goal of effective system collaboration promoting efficient, seamless service provision to eligible children and their families.