



October 13, 2026

MESSAGE FROM THE PART C COORDINATOR

Last year, we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This year, we celebrate forty years of Early Intervention.

Initially established in 1975 as the Education for All Handicapped Children Act (EHA), this landmark civil rights law guaranteed free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to each child with a disability across the county. The 1986 reauthorization of the EHA addressed early intervention and mandated that individual states provide services to families born with disabilities from the time they are born. Previously, these services were not available until a child reached the age of three. The 1990 reauthorization changed the law's name from EHA to IDEA. Read more about the full history of IDEA [here](#), and join me in celebrating the 40th anniversary of Early Intervention!

Please feel free to reach out to me at Taylor.Hammond@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov with ideas, questions, or suggestions any time.

PROGRAM UPDATES

State Fiscal Year 2026 EI Data Summary

In the September 15 EI Program Update, we communicated that State Fiscal Year 2026 (SFY26) annual county data summaries had been distributed. The statewide summary, containing information about referral sources, children served, eligibility reasons, services on initial IFSPs, and exit reasons is now available on the EI website. Access the SFY26 summary [here](#).

September EI Breakfast Club

The September EI Breakfast Club call featured an overview of the Ohio Department of Health's Infant Hearing Program along with a review of State Fiscal Year 2026 annual EI data and 2026 EI Family Questionnaire results. Access the recording and slides from this call and register for the October and November calls on the [EI Breakfast Club page](#) of the EI website.

Ohio Association of County Boards EI Forum Recordings

The Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB) hosted its annual EI Forum September 16, including the following sessions:

- Connecting Ohio Early Intervention Professionals to Division for Early Childhood
- Strategies for Effective Early Intervention in the Early Care and Education Setting
- Oral-Motor, Sensory, and Self-Feeding Strategies for Effective Coaching without Overwhelm
- Every Family Has a Story: Using Documentation to Capture the Early Intervention Journey

Access the recordings from each session [here](#).

November 1 LEA Report Requirements

The November 1 quarterly LEA reporting requirement is quickly approaching. Under Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 5180-10-02(L)(1)(b), the EI service coordination agency must notify the LEA of children who will turn three within the next year by the first day of February, May, August, and November. This report is available in the EI Data System (EIDS) in both Excel and PDF formats. You may use either version, but please remember the following:

- The November 1 LEA report must be run no earlier than October 22 and no later than November 1.
- It is expected that child information will be updated in a timely manner so that the LEA reports in EIDS are accurate.
- Only the sections of the report that are relevant to a particular LEA should be sent to that LEA.
- If you are not sure which LEA should be selected for a specific child, we encourage you to contact the relevant educational service center (ESC) for clarification. Contact information for all of the ESCs and public school districts, along with a map of districts, is available [here](#).

This quarterly report must be provided to the LEAs no later than November 1. The report does not need to be submitted to DCY, but we encourage you to keep a copy for your records. If you have any questions, please contact your EI Policy and Monitoring Consultant, Erin Hale (Erin.Hale@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov) or Becca Muntean (Rebecca.Muntean@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov).

SFY26 COS Data

SFY26 county Child Outcomes Summary (COS) reports and data were sent to EI Contract Managers and FCFC Coordinators September 22. Please contact Brier Gallihugh at Brier.Gallihugh@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov with any questions.

State Fiscal Year 2027 Compliance Analyses

As a reminder, activities related to the State Fiscal Year 2027 (SFY27) EI compliance analyses will begin next month, starting with the 45-day timeline analysis. Prior to each compliance monitoring analysis, we will host webinars to prepare for the process, provide timelines and requirements, and review documentation needed to verify compliance activities. We encourage all counties to attend, regardless of their inclusion in the analysis. All webinars will be held from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM and the dates and registration links for each are listed below. Access the full monitoring schedule on the [Monitoring page](#) of the EI website.

- Register [here](#) for the SFY27 45-Day baseline webinar on Thursday, November 12
- Register [here](#) for the SFY27 Transition baseline webinar on Thursday, February 4, 2027
- Register [here](#) for the SFY27 TRS baseline webinar on Wednesday, March 24, 2027

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

REMINDER: Upcoming Transfer of EI Coursework from DODD MyLearning to the Ohio Professional Registry

By the end of the 2026 calendar year, the [EI coursework](#) currently housed in DODD MyLearning will transfer to the Ohio Professional Registry (OPR). After the courses transfer to the OPR, they will no longer be accessible in DODD MyLearning. To prepare for this transfer, please review the following information.

What you can expect:

- Regular guidance, reminders, and updates in the EI Biweekly Program Updates.
- Reminders on DODD MyLearning course pages regarding deadlines to enroll in and complete coursework in DODD MyLearning (to be announced at a later date).
- Guidance documents outlining how to locate, enroll in, and complete the EI courses in the OPR.
- Direct support through contacting eitraining@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov.

Action Steps You Can Take Now to Prepare:

- If you have not already done so, [create an OPR profile](#).
- Plan to complete any EI coursework you have started in MyLearning by early December. Exact deadlines will be communicated at a later date.

The projected date for the course transfer is mid-December 2026. Please monitor the EI Biweekly Program Updates for reminders, updates, and more information. If you have questions, please contact eitraining@childrenandyouth.ohio.gov.