## Introduction to the State Performance Plan (SPP)/Annual Performance Report (APR)

### **Executive Summary:**

The Annual Performance Report (APR) reflects the performance of Nevada's system of early intervention services established under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) 2004 relative to the indicators and targets in the State Performance Plan (SPP). The timeframe covered by the report is July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. This is Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2014, State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2015. The IDEA Part C Office, as lead agency for the statewide system, has worked with key stakeholders, including the State Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) in the development of this report. Performance status is reported numerically and by percentage for each Indicator compared to established targets. The following provides a brief summary of the data sources for each indicator, the status of performance and whether or not the State met the target. Full details are included in each indicator section of the report.

For Indicator 1, it is currently necessary to gather the data from individual child records to ensure the data reflects each phase of the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). For Indicator 8.A., it is necessary to gather the data through the review of child records to determine whether the child's Transition Plan includes all required components. Data for this indicator represents the timeframe of July 1, 2014 - March 31, 2015. The State's performance for FFY 2014 in these indicators is as follows:

- Indicator 1 is 97.6% Did Not Meet Target of 100%
- Indicator 8.A. is 99.49% Did Not Meet Target of 100%

Performance for Indicators 2 (Provision of Services in Natural Environments), 5, (Percent of Birth-to-1 population served) and 6 (Percent of Birth-to-3 population served) is based on data generated for reporting requirements under section 618 of the IDEA. The data are based on a one-day (point in time) count and represents all children with an active IFSP on December 1, 2014. The State's performance for FFY 2014 in these indicators is as follows:

- Indicator 2 is 98.9% Exceeded Target of 96%
- Indicator 5 is 1.12% Exceeded Target of 1%
- Indicator 6 is 2.78% Exceeded Target of 2%

Performance for Indicator 3 (Child Outcomes) is based on data for all children exiting the system in the reporting period that have received at least six (6) months of early intervention services. The raw data are generated through the TRAC data system and final performance status is calculated utilizing the Child Outcomes Summary Spreadsheet developed by the Early Childhood Outcomes Center (ECO). The percentages for this Indicator reflect the State's performance relative to three (3) specific child outcomes. The percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:

- A. Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships);
- B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/communication); and
- c. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.

Each Outcome has two (2) summary statements against which the State's performance is measured:

- Summary Statement 1: Of those infants and toddlers who entered or exited early intervention below age expectations in each Outcome, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned 3 years or exited the program.
- Summary Statement 2: The percent of infants and toddlers who were functioning within age expectations in each Outcome by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.

The State's performance for FFY 2014 of this indicator is as follows:

- Outcome A., Summary Statement 1: 63.3% Did Not Meet Target of 65.78%
- Outcome A., Summary Statement 2: 37.6% Did Not Meet Target of 39.94%
- Outcome B., Summary Statement 1: 68.7% Did Not Meet Target of 70.76%
- Outcome B., Summary Statement 2: 36.6% Did Not Meet Target of 38.24%
- Outcome C., Summary Statement 1: 61.1% Did Not Meet Target of 66.08%
- Outcome C., Summary Statement 2: 37.4% Did Not Meet Target of 41.70%

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Performance for Indicator 4 (Family Outcomes) is based on data gathered through the IDEA Part C Office Annual Family Survey. Surveys are sent to all active families in the TRAC data system that have been enrolled in early intervention services for at least six (6) months. The percentages for this indicator reflect the State's performance relative to three (3) specific family outcomes. The percent of families participating in Part C services who report that early intervention services have helped the family:

- A. Know their rights;
- B. Effectively communicate their children's needs; and
- c. Help their children develop and learn.

The State's performance for this indicator for FFY 2014 is as follows:

- A. Know their rights: 97.20% Exceeded Target of 95.50%
- B. Effectively communicate their children's needs: 93.48% Did Not Meet Target of 94.50%
- c. Help their children develop and learn: 96.90% Exceeded Target of 92.50%

Performance for Indicators 7. and 8.C. is based on data from the TRAC data system and includes all children within the reporting period (July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015) relevant to each indicator. The data for Indicator 7 (Evaluation and Initial IFSP Within 45 Days From Referral) includes all children for whom evaluation to determine eligibility and an initial IFSP meeting was convened within 45 days from referral during the reporting period. The data for Indicator 8.C. (Transition Conference at Least 90 Days Prior to 3rd Birthday) includes all children exiting Part C services at age three (3) within the reporting period who are potentially eligible for special education services under Part B of the IDEA and requiring a Transition Conference. The State's performance in these indicators for FFY 2014 is a follows:

- Indicator 7: 99.63% Did Not Meet Target of 100%
- Indicator 8.C.: 98.87% Did Not Meet Target of 100%

Indicator 8.B. is reported based on notification by the IDEA Part C Office to the State Education Agency (SEA) and the Local Education Agency (LEA) of all children exiting Part C servicy eligible for special education services under Part B of the IDEA. The State's performance for FFY 2014 for this Indicator is 100% - Meets The Target of 100%.

Performance for Indicator 9 (Percent of Hearing Requests That went to Resolution Sessions That Were Resolved Through Resolution Session Agreements) and 10 (Percent of Mediations Held That Resulted in Mediation Agreements) is based on data generated through the IDEA Part C Office system for tracking system for tracking procedural safeguards and dispute resolution activities. The State has not established targets for these indicators as there has not been a sufficient number of request to establish baseline. Targets will be established when ten (10) or more requests are received in a reporting period. No due process hearings or mediations were requested during this reporting period.

Indicator 11 is the State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP). Phase II of the SSIP is under development and will be submitted to OSEP not later than April 1, 2016.

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### **General Supervision System:**

The systems that are in place to ensure that IDEA Part C requirements are met, e.g., monitoring systems, dispute resolution systems.

The IDEA Part C Office maintains a general supervision system that includes procedures for monitoring for compliance and dispute resolution and to ensure all components of the statewide early intervention system meet requirements of Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The system is also designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the system in improving outcomes for children and families. The system supports activities to ensure early identification of infants and toddlers with disabilities and the timely provision of early intervention services.

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Key activities utilized by the IDEA Part C Office to assess the implementation and impact of early intervention services in this reporting period include:

### **Collaboration:**

The IDEA Part C Office strengthened collaborative working relationships with other statewide early childhood initiatives in the State to align goals, reduce duplication and strengthen the statewide infrastructure to improve outcomes for young children. Examples include:

- Membership on the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council
- Collaboration with the Nevada Department of Education in hosting the 2015 Early Childhood Inclusion Conference Birth to Five

### Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting:

The IDEA Part C Office maintaines procedures for collecting, analyzing and reporting statewide data to monitor and evaluate the functioning of the EI system in meeting Part C requirements and improving outcomes for infants and toddlers and their families. Examples of these procedures include:

- Maintaining the statewide Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system for collecting key data from the point a child is referred to the early intervention (EI) system to the time the child exits Part C services; the system also collects critical service data throughout the time the child is enrolled in early intervention services;
- Compiling, analyzing and reporting data results to the U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), state administration, key stakeholders and the public on the effectiveness of the system in improving outcomes for young children with disabilities and their families;
- Collecting, compiling and analyzing data through the IDEA Part C Office Annual Family Survey to evaluate the impact of early intervention services in improving outcomes for families of infants and toddlers participating in early intervention services;
- Compiling, analyzing data on specific outcomes for children served by the system by integrating data from the TRAC data system and the Child Outcomes analysis spreadsheet developed by the Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Center; and
- Working with the Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems Center (DaSy) to review the current TRAC system to determine key areas where improvements may be made.

### Monitoring System:

The IDEA Part C Office worked with national technical assistance providers [The Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTACenter), The Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems (DaSy Center)] to begin the process of reviewing the components of the current monitoring system to determine where modifications may be needed to ensure the focus is an ongoing development of a high quality accountability and quality improvement system. This process will continue through FFY 2015. The current system includes:

- Implementing multi-level systems for verification of timeliness and accuracy of data entry by direct users of the TRAC system with specific focus on data related to child outcomes;
- Conducting ongoing desk audits of TRAC data and analyzing data across data sources to evaluate functioning of key system components at the state and program level;
- Review and verification of the annual Self-Assessment (SA) reports submitted by each Early Intervention Service (EIS) providers' Quality Assurance team; Data are gathered from child record reviews for this process;
- · Collecting or verifying data through on-site monitoring and focused monitoring, as needed;
- Maintaining a system for compiling, analyzing and reporting data required under section 618 including investigation of complaints, mediation and due process requests;
- Issuing findings of noncompliance to EIS providers as a result of general supervision activities (ex. monitoring and complaint investigation, etc.), working with providers to identify underlying causes and ensuring the timely correction of noncompliance;
- Collaborating with the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) in imposing sanctions to ensure EIS program improvement and compliance; and
- Reporting to the ICC and other key stakeholders on the outcomes of program monitoring and improvement.

In this reporting period, EIS programs utilized data from the first three (3) quarters of the fiscal year to conduct SA activities to ensure the data gathered through program monitoring are consistent with timeframes reported in the Annual Performance Report (APR). The IDEA Part C Office utilized the EIS provider SA reports as well as data from the fourth quarter to review and

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verify program performance. The determination of whether written findings of noncompliance were needed was based on the final verification. Programs with performance of 95% or above were considered substantially compliant. They were not required to submit a written plan for correcting the noncompliance but were notified they must work to address the underlying causes and correct the noncompliance within one year from the date the finding was issued. Programs with performance at less than 95% were required meet with their IDEA Part C Office liaison to complete a written plan for correcting the noncompliance including specific steps to address underlying causes and timelines for evaluating progress. The IDEA Part C Office utilized data from the SA/monitoring process to support providers in identifying underlying issues and developing and implementing strategies to improve results for children and families for whom they provide early intervention services.

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### **Technical Assistance System:**

The mechanisms that the State has in place to ensure the timely delivery of high quality, evidenced based technical assistance and support to early intervention service (EIS) programs.

The IDEA Part C Office provides and/or facilitates the provision of training and technical assistance (TA), both systemic and program specific, to entities within the State to support program improvement and improved outcomes for children and families. In this reporting period, TA has been facilitated through requests to the national TA providers relative to child outcomes, data systems development and general supervision. Training and TA was provided to administration and leadership for other early childhood initiatives in the State not specific to Part C to ensure strong collaborations with the overall early childhood service system.

The IDEA Part C Office hosted monthly TA calls and quarterly video conference sessions with management from all EIS provider agencies. Topics were selected based on information and clarification that needed to be issued by the IDEA Part C Office and those requested by participants. Informational documents and resources on evidence-based practices issued by the national TA Centers were shared with programs on a regular basis. The IDEA Part C Office also developed and issued topical TA documents to guide the system in implementing quality practices in a manner compliant with federal and state requirements. EIS providers with findings of noncompliance were assisted in identifying underlying causes for the noncompliance and the IDEA Part C Office provided specific training and technical support to ensure timely correction of the noncompliance.

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### **Professional Development System:**

The mechanisms the State has in place to ensure that service providers are effectively providing services that improve results for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

The State has increased the focus on ongoing professional development for providers across the early childhood system for children birth to five, both for early intervention and for early childhood education. It is recognized that improved outcomes for children requires consistent implementation of evidence-based practices.

Ongoing improvement in the overall system of professional development for early intervention service (EIS) providers is being supported through a number of initiatives:

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- A subcommittee of the ICC was established to review credentialing procedures for Developmental Specialists providing El services.
- The IDEA Part C Office is partnering with the Early Childhood Personnel Center and key stakeholders in the State to
  establish the Nevada Early Childhood Systems of Learning (ECSoL) Leadership Team to develop and sustain a statewide
  system of professional learning across agencies and disciplines to improve outcomes for all young children and their
  families
- One member of the IDEA Part C Office team is also being designated as Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD) Coordinator for the early intervention system. This individual will collaborate with EI providers in development of a CSPD plan with a specific focus on implementation of evidence-based practices with fidelity and ensure the effort is coordinated with other early childhood personnel development initiatives.
- The University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) were both awarded grants through the U.S. Department of Education to support individuals in pursuing a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Special Education.
- The IDEA Part C Office maintains a system for providing training to all new employees coming into the early intervention system, as well as existing employees directed to participate as a results of identification of noncompliance, through New Employee Orientation. This includes a comprehensive review of the system and stresses the importance of family centered evidenced-based practices.
- Topical trainings are also provided or facilitated by the IDEA Part C Office as the need is identified through evaluation of the system or based on provider request. Examples of topical trainings include: a statewide training on transition requirements and procedures developed and implemented jointly by the Nevada Department of Education and the IDEA Part C Office, training on development of functional outcomes, training for EI providers on the process for generating data on child outcomes, and trainings focused on enhancing communications between parents and professionals. All training sessions include an evaluation by participants where individualized program follow-up can be requested.
- The IDEA Part C Office routinely distributes information on webinars and other resources related to evidence-based practices to all EI providers on an ongoing basis.
- The IDEA Part C Office participates on the leadership team and provides financial support for implementation of trainings initiated through the Technical Assistance Center on Social Emotional Intervention for Young Children (TACSEI) project. There are plans to expand this effort and to facilitate a stronger emphasis on children ages birthto-three.
- There has also been a strong collaborative initiative between the IDEA Part C Office and the State's Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) program to provide support for training for personnel who work with children with hearing impairment. This training is provided through the SKI-HI institute and follow-up to develop an ongoing train-the-trainer model for Nevada is in process.
- The Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) has initiated a process for creating a Program Development component that provides ongoing trainings to EIS providers on quality practices to support improved outcomes for children and families.

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Stakeholder Involvement: apply this to all Part C results indicators

The mechanism for soliciting broad stakeholder input on targets in the SPP, including revisions to targets.

Throughout the course of FFY 2014, the IDEA Part C Office has presented data and other key information relative to the SPP/APR indicators and related activities to various stakeholder groups. Key information has been shared with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Administration on at least a monthly basis and with Nevada's Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC), including ICC Subcommittees, as appropriate, at all quarterly meetings. Three Nevada ICC parent representatives participated in the "It's About Us, Include Us!" Family Leaders Institute hosted by the Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems (DaSy) in October 2015. Information has been shared, and feedback obtained, from the early intervention service (EIS) provider community through the IDEA Part C Office monthly TA calls and quarterly meetings. The final draft of each indicator of the SPP/APR was reviewed with the ICC for feedback at the January 21, 2016 meeting prior to submission.

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Reporting to the Public:								
How and where the State reported to the public on the FFY 2012 performant targets in the SPP/APR as soon as practicable, but no later than 120 days for by 34 CFR §300.602(b)(1)(i)(A); and a description of where, on its Web site, State has revised the SPP that it submitted with its FFY 2012 APR in 2014,	ollowing the State's submission of its FFY 2012 APR, as required a complete copy of the State's SPP, including any revision if the							
Nevada's FFY 2014 SPP/APR will be posted on the Department of Health and Human Services Director's Office Website at <a href="http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Publications/">http://dhhs.nv.gov/Programs/IDEA/Publications/</a> not later than May 1, 2016. Local report cards will be created for each early intervention service (EIS) provider program and will also be posted to the website not later than March 31, 2016. All previous years reports are under the Publications tab. A news release will be created to report to the media on the release of the SPP/APR and SSIP not later than June 30, 2016 through the DHHS Public Information Officer.								
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Actions required in FFY 2013 response								
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### **Indicator 1: Timely provision of services**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Compliance indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

Historical Data  Baseline Data: 2005												
FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
Target			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Data		61.90%	59.20%	51.14%	57.00%	58.00%	57.00%	72.00%	76.24%	96.04%		
FY 2014	- FFY 2018	Targets										
F	FY	2014		2015		2016		2017	:	2018		
		100%		100%		100%		100%	1	100%		
Target	Key: Blue – Data Update											

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### Indicator 1: Timely provision of services FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Compliance indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner	Total number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs	FFY 2013 Data*			Status	Slippage
294	329	96.04%	100%	97.57%	Did Not Meet Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Number of documented delays attributable to exceptional family circumstances (this number will be added to the Number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive their early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner)	27
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What is the source of the data provided for this indicator?

State monitoring

State database

Describe the method used to select EIS programs for monitoring.

### **Nevada's Definition of Timely Services:**

Early intervention services identified on the initial and subsequent Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) of an eligible child, including IFSP reviews, will be provided to the child and family as soon as possible following the family's consent to implement the IFSP. Determination of whether or not the services are provided in a timely manner will be based on:

- 1. Initiation of new services within 30 days from the date the parents provided consent for the IFSP service; or
- 2. The projected IFSP initiation date as determined by the IFSP team and indicated on the IFSP. This may include services such as periodic follow-up or services needed on an infrequent basis (ex. on a quarterly basis).

### **Process for Selection of Programs for Monitoring:**

The IDEA Part C Office has required all early intervention service provider programs to participate in the monitoring process on an annual basis. Programs initiate the monitoring process by conducting a self-assessment (SA). Each program's final report is submitted to the IDEA Part C Office along with all supporting documentation. The report and supporting documents are reviewed by IDEA Part C Office personnel and verification activities are conducted. Programs identified as having noncompliance in an indicator are issued one (1) finding for that indicator. Programs are also selected for focused monitoring based on concerns identified by the IDEA Part C Office through desk audit or complaint investigations.

A total of twelve (12) early intervention service (EIS) provider programs statewide were providing comprehensive early intervention services during this reporting period. Eleven programs participated in the SA process in FFY 2014. One (1) EIS program was in process of a focused monitoring and did not conduct a SA.

For the SA/Monitoring process, data for this indicator are gathered through child record reviews and are required to include all IFSP junctures (initial, annual and all reviews including 6-month reviews or other reviews requested by the program or family). The timeframe covered for the FFY 2014 monitoring was all activity between July 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015. A stratified random selection (to ensure all junctures were covered) of records was identified for review by each program. A minimum number of records was required to be reviewed by each program (10% of enrollment for large programs/20% for smaller

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programs). This provided a sufficient number of records to ensure the data was representative of the statewide enrollment and accurately reflect the program's performance relative to all children served by the program.

### Results of FFY 2014 Monitoring and General Supervision Activities

### **Annual Self-Assessment Monitoring:**

Six (6) programs were found to be at 100% compliance for the reporting period based on annual monitoring. This includes one (1) program that was issued a finding of noncompliance earlier in the reporting period as a result of focused monitoring. The program demonstrated timely correction based on new data gathered during the annual monitoring process. This correction will be reported in the FFY 2015 APR.

Four (4) programs were each issued one (1) new finding of noncompliance. Of the four (4), two (2) were performing at a level considered substantially compliant (95%) or above.

One (1) program was found to have on-going noncompliance. However, the program had made progress and was performing at a level considered substantially compliant. The underlying issue resulting in the noncompliance was significant staff turn-over. A focused monitoring is being conducted with this program in FFY 2015.

### **Complaint Investigation:**

One program was issued a finding of noncompliance for this indicator as a result of investigation of a child complaint.

### Summary:

A total of six (6) new findings of noncompliance were issued as a result of general supervision activities in FFY 2014 and one (1) program was found to have ongoing noncompliance. As of submission of this report, five (5) of the six (6) have been verified to have been corrected in a timely manner. These corrections will be reported in the FFY 2015 APR.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

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### **Indicator 1: Timely provision of services**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Compliance indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

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### Actions required in FFY 2013 response

None

### Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response, not including correction of findings

During FFY 2013/2014 Nevada received technical assistance to support program improvement and correction of noncompliance from the U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) and through the national Regional Resource Center (RRC) network, primarily the Western Regional Resource Center (WRRC) and the Early Childhood Technical Assistance (ECTA) Center. Nevada's state contact with OSEP made a site visit in September 2013 to review progress relative to Policies and Procedures and the correction of long-term noncompliance relative to APR Indicator 1, Timely initiation of IFSP Services. Meetings were conducted with Department Administration, IDEA Part C Office Personnel and local EIS providers. Clarification was provided regarding expectations for the lead agency and there was discussion of procedures that might be implemented to ensure correction of the noncompliance. Personnel from the WRRC and ECTA Centers participated in part of these discussions in order to better assist the State in implementing strategies for improvement following the visit. Monthly TA calls were conducted between OSEP, WRRC/ECTA Centers and the IDEA Part C Office following the TA visit for progress reporting on this and other related issues.

In June 2015, Nevada received on-site technical assistance support from personnel from The ECTA Center to conduct a stakeholder meeting to review the IDEA Part C Office process and procedures for Monitoring and General Supervision. The focus of the technical assistance was to help stakeholders recognize federal requirements related to the State's accountability for Part C systems and the focus on Results Driven Accountability (RDA). Key elements for establishing a high quality Accountability and Quality Improvement System were reviewed and stakeholders were asked for recommendations for incorporating these elements in Nevada's system. Revisions were made to Nevada's system as a result of this process and are being implemented in the FFY 2015 monitoring processes. The revised procedures are not only focused on ensuring timely correction of noncompliance but on quality outcomes for children with disabilities and their families.

Nevada also received technical assistance from the Center for Early Childhood Data Systems (DaSy) in the Fall of 2015 to review the statewide data system to assess its strengths and identify areas for improvement to support the IDEA Part C Office in utilizing data from the system to monitor program performance. The Department has contracted with a programmer to work on some of the improvements suggested. This work is still in process.

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### **Indicator 1: Timely provision of services**

**Correction of Previous Findings of Noncompliance** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Compliance indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

### **Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2013**

Findings of Noncompliance Identified	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected Within One Year	Findings of Noncompliance Subsequently Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected	
6	5	0	1	

### FFY 2013 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

### **Correction of Findings of Noncompliance From FFY 2013**

A total of six (6) findings of noncompliance were issued to four (4) early intervention service (EIS) provider programs for this indicator in FFY 2013 through general supervision activities. This included investigation of individual child complaints, focused monitoring and annual self-assessment/monitoring procedures. the IDEA Part C Office verified timely correction of five (5) of the six (6) findings through new data collected through the annual monitoring process. Verification of correction on noncompliance includes:

### Verification the Early Intervention Service (EIS) Program is Implementing Requirements for All Children

Verification that EIS programs with findings of noncompliance in FFY 2013 were meeting requirements for timely initiation of services for all children enrolled in their program was conducted by gathering and analyzing new data for each program through the following activities:

Three (3) findings of noncompliance were issued to two (2) EIS programs in FFY 2013 as a result of investigation of individual child complaints. New data were gathered through the 2013-14 monitoring process at the end of the fiscal year and both programs were notified of timely correction of the noncompliance on June 30, 2014 which was within the same reporting period the finding was issued.

One (1) EIS program had one (1) finding issued as a result of a focused monitoring by the IDEA Part C Office in FFY 2013. The program was also notified of timely correction of the noncompliance (June 30, 2014) within the same reporting period the finding was issued based on new data reviewed during the verification process.

Two (2) EIS programs were each issued a finding of noncompliance based on the FFY 2013 annual self-assessment/monitoring process. One (1) program was notified of timely correction based on new data gathered during the FFY 2014 monitoring process. One (1) program was determined to have ongoing noncompliance but demonstrated performance at a level considered substantially compliant. The IDEA Part C Office will conduct focused monitoring of the program in FFY 2015 to explore underlying causes of the noncompliance.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

### **Individual Child Correction**

It was verified through child record reviews and ongoing reporting that services were initiated for all children, though late, unless the child was no longer in the jurisdiction of the early intervention program. this is documented through utilization of a standard "Individual Child Correction Form" Verification that is part of the State's monitoring procedures. When appropriate (depending on the length of the delay), a remedy for the delay was also offered to the family to compensate for the delay in initiation of services.

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### FFY 2013 Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected

Actions taken if noncompliance not corrected

One (1) EIS program could not be verified to have timely correction of noncompliance based on new data gathered through the FFY 2014 annual self-assessment/monitoring process. The program's performance was at a level considered substantially compliant (95% or above). The IDEA Part C Office will conduct focused monitoring of the program in FFY 2015 to verify full correction of the noncompliance. Individual child correction was verified for all children associated with both the original finding of noncompliance and for those represented in the new data set that indicated the program had ongoing noncompliance.

### **Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified Prior to FFY 2013**

	Findings of Noncompliance Not Y 2013	et Verified as Corrected as of FFY APR	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected	
FFY2011	1	null	1	0	
FFY2008	8	null	8	0	

### FFY 2011 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

Nevada's inability to correct long-term noncompliance for Indicator 1, Timely Initiation of IFSP Services, was a result of ongoing noncompliance in one (1) EIS program. The one (1) outstanding finding of noncompliance from FFY 2011 was issued to this program as a result of complaint investigation. This is also the program with outstanding findings from FFY 2008 (See 2008 section for corrections).

The program is the largest EIS program in the State and serves approximately 33% of the eligible children statewide and 49% of the eligible children in the southern region of the state. The program also serves at the single point of entry (SPOE) for referrals in the southern region. While the program had not been able to fully correct the identified noncompliance, consistent tracking of the program's performance through quarterly review of records had shown substantial and ongoing progress. Verification in October 2014 showed the program to be at 87% compliance which was improvement from 78% in the previous quarter.

### Verification EIS Program is Implementing Requirements for all Children

Based on verification of continued progress, a compliance agreement was established between Nevada's IDEA Part C Office and the EIS program in February 2015. New data were gathered by the IDEA Part C Office by tracking all children entering the program between February 2nd and February 16, 2015 through the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system per the compliance agreement. Weekly calls were conducted with the program to track activity for these children. On March 19, 2015, the IDEA Part C Office conducted a verification visit to review the records of the 28 children entering the program in the specified timeframe. Of the 28 records reviewed, all (100%) were found to have all IFSP services initiated in a timely manner. Since all services were intiated in a timely manner, no child correction was required.

A letter of notification of correction for all outstanding noncompliance for this indicator [one (1) finding from FFY 2011 and eight (8) findings from FFY 2008] was issued to the program on April 15, 2015.

As of submission of the FFY 2014 APR, the IDEA Part C Office has verified correction of all outstanding noncompliance for Indicator 1.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

### **Individual Child Correction**

It was verified through child record reviews and ongoing reporting that services were initiated for all children, though late, unless the child was no longer in the jurisdiction of the early intervention program. this is documented through utilization of a standard "Individual Child Correction Form" Verification that is part of the State's monitoring procedures. When appropriate (depending on the length of the delay), a remedy for the delay was also offered to the family to compensate for the delay in

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initiation of services.

### FFY 2008 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

The program with ongoing noncompliance from FFY 2008 is the same program discussed in the section above for FFY 2011. In correcting the noncompliance for FFY 2011, the correction of the findings for FFY 2008 was also verified to have been corrected. The procedures for verifying correction are the same as those described in FFY 2011.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

### **Individual Child Correction**

It was verified through child record reviews and ongoing reporting that services were initiated for all children, though late, unless the child was no longer in the jurisdiction of the early intervention program. this is documented through utilization of a standard "Individual Child Correction Form" Verification that is part of the State's monitoring procedures. When appropriate (depending on the length of the delay), a remedy for the delay was also offered to the family to compensate for the delay in initiation of services.

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### **Indicator 2: Services in Natural**

### **Environments**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target ≥			96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%
Data		98.50%	99.60%	99.50%	99.70%	99.50%	98.00%	93.00%	98.79%	99.72%

Key: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target ≥	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%	96.00%

Key: Blue – Data Update

### **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

The targets will be maintained at the level previously established. Given the state's performance history, it is felt that these targets are appropriate. Based on the discussion and input from stakeholders, the need to individualize service delivery for infants and toddlers was also taken into consideration when making this determination.

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### **Indicator 2: Services in Natural Environments** FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

### **Prepopulated Data**

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
SY 2014-15 Child Count/Educational Environment Data Groups	7/2/2015	Number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings	2,495	2856
SY 2014-15 Child Count/Educational Environment Data Groups	7/2/2015	Total number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs	2,889	2889

### **Explanation of Alternate Data**

In preparation of the report, data errors were discovered in the calculation for the number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings. The data is accurately reflected in this submission.

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings	Total number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
2,856	2,889	99.72%	96.00%	98.86%	Met Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

Data for this indicator are generated using the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) child data collection system. These data are reported based on teh 618 data report for December 1, 2014.

Twelve early intervention service (EIS) provider programs were reviewed during this reporting period based on 618 data from December 1, 2014 to determine whether the children enrolled in each program received the majority of their services in settings considered natural environments. The results were as follows:

- Eleven programs exceeded the target; and
- One program was 1% below the state target of 96%

Overall, the state exceeded the target by more than 2%. In instances where services were not provided in a natural environment, verification that Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) included an appropriate justification was also conducted through child record reviews during the monitoring process. Of the 464 records reviewed, 8 child records were identified as not receiving all services in the natural environment. However, all 8 records were verified as having an appropriate justifications in the IFSP when services were provided in settings not considered natural environments of the individual child and family.

Actions taken to ensure program compliance:

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- Desk audits of service settings for children served by the program
- Provision of training for EIS providers regarding the process of determining whether a justification for providing services is warranted and how to write an appropriate justification if appropriate

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### **Indicator 2: Services in Natural**

### **Environments**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

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(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013	response		
Additional required in 111 2010	100001100		
Responses to actions require	d in FFY 2013 response		
Responses to actions require  No action required	d in FFY 2013 response		

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### **Indicator 3: Early Childhood Outcomes**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:

- A. Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships);
- B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/ communication); and
- C. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

Does your State's Part C eligibility criteria include infants and toddlers who are at risk of having substantial developmental delays (or "at-risk infants and toddlers") under IDEA section 632(5)(B)(i)? No

### **Historical Data**

	Baseline Year	FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
A1	2013	Target ≥						72.70%	68.40%	68.50%	68.60%	65.25%
AI	2013	Data					72.70%	68.30%	65.90%	67.50%	65.90%	65.25%
A2	2013	Target ≥						32.60%	40.30%	40.40%	40.50%	39.94%
AZ	2013	Data					45.80%	40.20%	41.20%	41.20%	43.10%	39.94%
B1	2013	Target ≥						75.80%	69.80%	69.90%	70.00%	70.76%
	2013	Data					75.80%	69.70%	70.50%	71.80%	71.70%	70.76%
B2	2013	Target ≥						32.60%	37.20%	37.30%	37.40%	38.24%
DZ	2013	Data					39.10%	37.10%	39.00%	37.80%	37.40%	38.24%
C1	2013	Target ≥						78.00%	71.20%	71.30%	71.40%	66.08%
	2013	Data					78.00%	71.10%	69.60%	72.90%	70.90%	66.08%
C2	2013	Target ≥						32.60%	41.10%	41.20%	41.30%	41.70%
62	2013	Data					44.60%	41.00%	44.30%	44.40%	45.90%	41.70%

Key: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target A1 ≥	65.78%	66.31%	66.84%	67.37%	67.90%
Target A2 ≥	39.94%	40.04%	40.04%	40.14%	40.14%
Target B1 ≥	70.76%	70.86%	70.86%	71.96%	71.96%
Target B2 ≥	38.24%	38.34%	38.34%	38.44%	38.44%
Target C1 ≥	66.08%	66.18%	66.18%	66.28%	66.28%
Target C2 ≥	41.70%	41.80%	41.80%	41.90%	41.90%

Key: Blue – Data Update

### **Explanation of Changes**

**Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input** 

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The targets are being maintained at the level established in last year's submission. FFY 2013 progress data was utilized for re-establishing targets through FFY 2018. This process consisted of: reviewing Nevada's child outcome data quality profile- demonstrating small variations in the data overtime, comparison of Nevada's data with national averages, comparison of Nevada's data with similar eligibility criteria states, comparing the year to year data of Nevada to identify patterns and trends overtime, and utilization of the meaningful difference calculator in order to ensure the State is making a significant improvement in the results for children and families. The stakeholders in this process (State ICC and Child Outcome Taskforce members) were more confident about the quality and reliability of current data. Analysis of the FFY 2013 Child Outcomes data clearly demonstrated Nevada had significantly more complete progress data than in past reporting periods and the quality of the data demonstrated continuous improvement over time.

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### Indicator 3: Early Childhood Outcomes FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:

- A. Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships);
- B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/ communication); and
- C. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

ber of infants and toddlers with IFSPs assessed	1792.00
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### Outcome A: Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships)

	Number of Children	Percentage of Children
a. Infants and toddlers who did not improve functioning	9.00	0.50%
b. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning but not sufficient to move nearer to functioning comparable to same-aged peers	575.00	32.09%
c. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to a level nearer to same-aged peers but did not reach it	535.00	29.85%
d. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to reach a level comparable to same-aged peers	473.00	26.40%
e. Infants and toddlers who maintained functioning at a level comparable to same-aged peers	200.00	11.16%

	Numerator	Denominator	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
A1. Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome A, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (c+d)/(a+b+c+d).	1008.00	1592.00	65.25%	65.78%	63.32%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage
A2. The percent of infants and toddlers who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome A by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (d+e)/(a+b+c+d+e).	673.00	1792.00	39.94%	39.94%	37.56%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### **Explanation of A1 Slippage**

Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome A1. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data it is evident that the largest EI program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the States targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest early intervention EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12) EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined.

Since this outcome area was selected as the State identified Measurable Result (SiMR) in Nevada's State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP), a hypothesis was made by the stakeholder groups that there would be slippage in this outcome for infants and toddlers before improvements are demonstrated. This can be attributed to the increased awareness and knowledge and skills of service providers of being more comfortable with identifying social-emotional concerns in infants and toddlers and the impact it has on their overall health and development. All of the these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the States performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was not a statistically significant difference in the States performance compared to the target.

### **Explanation of A2 Slippage**

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Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome A2. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data, it is evident that the largest EI program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the States targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12)EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined. All of the these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the States performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was not a statistically significant difference in the States performance compared to the target.

### Outcome B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/ communication)

	Number of Children	Percentage of Children
a. Infants and toddlers who did not improve functioning	7.00	0.39%
b. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning but not sufficient to move nearer to functioning comparable to same-aged peers	520.00	29.02%
c. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to a level nearer to same-aged peers but did not reach it	609.00	33.98%
d. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to reach a level comparable to same-aged peers	546.00	30.47%
e. Infants and toddlers who maintained functioning at a level comparable to same-aged peers	110.00	6.14%

	Numerator	Denominator	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
B1. Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome B, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (c+d)/(a+b+c+d).	1155.00	1682.00	70.76%	70.76%	68.67%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage
B2. The percent of infants and toddlers who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome B by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (d+e)/(a+b+c+d+e).	656.00	1792.00	38.24%	38.24%	36.61%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### Explanation of B1 Slippage

Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome B1. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data, it is evident that the largest EI program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the States targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12) EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined. All of the these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the States performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was not a statistically significant difference in the States performance compared to the target.

### **Explanation of B2 Slippage**

Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome B2. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data, it is evident that the largest EI program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the States targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12)EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined. All

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of the these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the States performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was not a statistically significant difference in the States performance compared to the target.

### Outcome C: Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs

	Number of Children	Percentage of Children
a. Infants and toddlers who did not improve functioning	7.00	0.39%
b. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning but not sufficient to move nearer to functioning comparable to same-aged peers	637.00	35.55%
c. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to a level nearer to same-aged peers but did not reach it	477.00	26.62%
d. Infants and toddlers who improved functioning to reach a level comparable to same-aged peers	535.00	29.85%
e. Infants and toddlers who maintained functioning at a level comparable to same-aged peers	136.00	7.59%

	Numerator	Denominator	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
C1. Of those children who entered or exited the program below age expectations in Outcome C, the percent who substantially increased their rate of growth by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (c+d)/(a+b+c+d).	1012.00	1656.00	66.08%	66.08%	61.11%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage
C2. The percent of infants and toddlers who were functioning within age expectations in Outcome C by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program (d+e)/(a+b+c+d+e).	671.00	1792.00	41.70%	41.70%	37.44%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### **Explanation of C1 Slippage**

Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome C1. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data, it is evident that the largest El program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the States targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12)EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined. All of these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the State's performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was a statistically significant difference in the State's performance compared to the target.

### **Explanation of C2 Slippage**

Nevada demonstrated slippage and did not meet the target for Outcome C2. In order to determine the root cause leading to this slippage, analysis of FFY 2014 data was completed. The analysis of the data included looking at: a child's length of time in service, eligibility category, and age at entry. Based on these data, it is evident that the largest El program who serves the majority of infants and toddlers in the State served over 50% of children with a diagnosed condition. These children require the highest level of involvement in order to meet their medical and overall developmental needs. Although they make progress, their change in trajectory is not sufficient enough to move closer to their same aged peers.

Although there was more complete and accurate progress data reported last year (which was used to re-establish the State's targets through FFY 2018), Nevada's two (2) largest EI programs had 86 less children who had received at least six (6) months of services to report progress data on in FFY 2014. A higher representation of children with progress data is being reported statewide compared to last year. However, of the twelve (12)EI programs that reported data, more than 50% of the programs targets declined. All of these contributing factors led to slippage in this outcome area.

As a result of slippage, the meaningful difference calculator developed by the Early Childhood Outcome (ECO) Center was used to determine if the State's performance in this outcome truly had a meaningful difference compared to the State target. The results of these data identified there was a statistically significant difference in the State's performance compared to the target.

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Was sampling used? No
Did you use the Early Childhood Outcomes Center (ECO) Child Outcomes Summary Form (COSF)? Yes
Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

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### **Indicator 3: Early Childhood Outcomes**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:

- A. Positive social-emotional skills (including social relationships);
- B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills (including early language/ communication); and
- C. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs.

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### **Indicator 4: Family Involvement**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family:

- A. Know their rights;
- B. Effectively communicate their children's needs; and
- C. Help their children develop and learn.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data**

	Baseline Year	FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
A	2006	Target ≥					92.00%	93.00%	93.00%	94.00%	95.00%	95.00%
		Data			94.29%	91.00%	93.20%	97.00%	96.00%	95.00%	97.64%	95.83%
В	2006	Target≥					91.00%	92.00%	92.00%	93.00%	94.00%	94.00%
		Data			91.32%	95.00%	94.10%	94.00%	91.00%	91.00%	94.28%	96.44%
С	2006	Target ≥					89.00%	89.00%	90.00%	91.00%	92.00%	92.00%
		Data			91.00%	93.00%	95.30%	96.00%	92.00%	96.00%	96.97%	98.82%

Key: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target A ≥	95.50%	96.00%	96.50%	97.00%	97.50%
Target B ≥	94.50%	95.00%	95.50%	96.00%	96.50%
Target C ≥	92.50%	93.00%	93.50%	94.00%	94.50%

Key: Blue – Data Update

### **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

Nevada maintained targets in FFY 2013 at the same level as those established for FFY 2012 as reported in the FFY 2012 APR and endorsed by the State Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC). Targets for FFY 2014 thorugh FFY 2018 have been increased by one half a percent per year to promote continued improvement. These targets have been reviewed by the ICC for input.

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### Indicator 4: Family Involvement

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Results indicator: Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family:

- A. Know their rights;
- B. Effectively communicate their children's needs; and
- C. Help their children develop and learn.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of respondent families participating in Part C	323.00
A1. Number of respondent families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family know their rights	312.00
A2. Number of responses to the question of whether early intervention services have helped the family know their rights	321.00
B1. Number of respondent families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family effectively communicate their children's needs	301.00
B2. Number of responses to the question of whether early intervention services have helped the family effectively communicate their children's needs	322.00
C1. Number of respondent families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family help their children develop and learn	313.00
C2. Number of responses to the question of whether early intervention services have helped the family help their children develop and learn	323.00

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
A. Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family know their rights	95.83%	95.50%	97.20%	Met Target	No Slippage
B. Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family effectively communicate their children's needs	96.44%	94.50%	93.48%	Did Not Meet Target	Slippage
C. Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family help their children develop and learn	98.82%	92.50%	96.90%	Met Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### **Explanation of B Slippage**

The major factor resulting in slippage in this outcome appears to be a significant increase in the number of families who indicate they were undecided related to this outcome. Fifteen (15) of the 322 families (5%) responding to this item in the 2015 survey indicated they were "undecided". This is in comparison to nine (9) of the 337 (3%) families responding to the 2014 Survey indicating they were undecided. Based on this data, 2% more families responding to the 2015 Survey stated they were undecided than in the 2014 Survey.

In addition, performance for four (4) programs in the State with the largest enrollment had slippage from the 2014 Survey in the number of responses to Outcome B. Combined, these programs represented 64% of the total enrollment for the State and 66% of the total responses to the 2015 Survey. Slippage in the number of families indicating they Strongly Agree/Agree that EIS servcies have helped them effectively communicate their children's needs ranged from 2% to 9% for these programs from the 2014 Survey.

Describe how the State has ensured that any response data are valid and reliable, including how the data represent the demographics of the State.

The instrument utilized for the 2015 Annual Family Outcomes survey was developed by a stakeholder workgroup and has

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been used for six (6) consecutive years. It consists of 20 close-ended questions that use a five-point Likert scale (strongly agree, agree, undecided, disagree, and strongly disagree). It also includes one (1) open-ended question that allows families to provide narrative comments. Families also have the option of not answering questions if they feel they are not applicable. The survey is printed and distributed in both English and Spanish.

To ensure the data is representative of the demographics of the State, the IDEA Part C Office used the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) database to obtain the names and addresses of all families who had a child with an IFSP for a minimum of six (6) months and was receiving early intervention services from one (1) of the state or community early intervention programs as of May 15, 2015. A total of 1,712 children met criteria and these families were sent a survey for each child in the home enrolled in early intervention services. A cover letter accompanied each survey, as well as a postage-paid return envelope. The cover letter informed families their survey would be returned to the IDEA Part C Office and all responses would remain confidential. Families were instructed to answer the survey questions and return them by July 30, 2015. Local early intervention programs were notified of the date the surveys were sent to families. They were asked to encourage families in their program to respond to the survey.

A total of 288 responses were received after the initial mailing. In August 2015, a reminder was sent to all families that had not responded to the survey after the initial mailing. Families were again asked to return this survey by September 18, 2015. Through the process, it was determined 120 addresses were no longer valid; therefore, a second survey was not sent to those families. The final number of children for whom a survey was sent was 1,592 which was 419 more than the 1,173 distributed for the 2014 Survey.

Although the number of surveys distributed for the 2015 Survey was significantly higher than for the 2014 Survey, the total number of unduplicated survey responses received from the 2015 Survey was 323 which is 15 less than the 338 responses to the 2014 Survey. The rate of return for the 2015 Survey was 20.3% (323/1,592). This is a decrease of 8.7% in the response rate from the 2014 Survey which was 29%. However, it exceeds the rate of return for 2013 (19%) and 2012 (16.5%).

While there is not a clear indication of the reason(s) for the decrease in the rate of response for the 2015 Family Survey, six (6) of the twelve (12) programs in the State had slippage in the number of responses compared to the 2014 Survey. The area of the state with the greatest reduction in the number of responses has been identified as the southern region. Three (3) of the four (4) EIS programs with the highest enrollment (ranging from 656 to 1,360) had slippage in the number of surveys returned (34 children total) for the 2015 Survey. All three (3) programs were in the southern region and their cumulative enrollment represented 48% of the State's total enrollment for FFY 2014. The three (3) remaining programs with slippage, a total of eleven (11) children, are in the northwest region of the state. The cumulative enrollment for these programs for FFY 2014 ranged from 54 to 211. The number of surveys returned improved by 30 children for six (6) of the twelve (12) EIS programs in the State.

Survey results were analyzed on a statewide basis but were also disaggregated by each early intervention program in the State. All personally identifiable information specific to the family or any individual service provider is redacted prior to public reporting. The published survey results include parent comments and are distributed to all early intervention programs for review of performance and parent comments. As a result, programs may discuss issues with direct service personnel to ensure parent's concerns are being addressed. This data supports individual programs in program planning and improvement. In addition, the complete survey report will be posted on Nevada's website and disseminated to the Nevada Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC), regional programs, Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The results of the 2015 Survey are as follows:

### A. Know Their Rights

Statewide: This data is based on responses to Question 5 on the SFY 2015 Annual Family Survey which states, "Early Intervention helps me know and understand my parent rights."

The total number of families responding to Question 5 was 321. Of those responding, 312 (97%) reported they agree that early intervention had helped their family know their rights under the IDEA. 239 respondents indicated they Strongly Agree and 73 indicated they Agree. Nevada's performance in FFY 2014 of 97% exceeded the state target of 95.5%.

### B. Effectively Communicate Their Children's Needs

Statewide: This data is based on responses to Question 15 on the SFY 2015 Annual Family Survey which states, "Early Intervention helps me effectively communicate my child's needs."

The total number of families responding to Question 15 was 322. Of those responding, 301 (93%) reported early intervention

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services were effective in communicating their child's needs. Of the 322 total responses, 211 chose Strongly Agree and 90 chose Agree. Nevada's performance in FFY 2014 did not meet the State target of 94.5% for this reporting period. A total of 15 (5%) of the families responding indicated they were "undecided" on this statement.

### C. Help Their Children Develop and Learn

Statewide: This data is based on responses to Question 2 of the SFY 2015 Annual Family Survey which states, "My Early Intervention providers show me how I can help my child develop and learn."

The total number of families responding to Question 2 was 323. Of those responding, 313 (97%) reported they agree early intervention service providers show them how to help their child develop and learn. Of the 323 responses, 239 chose Strongly Agree and 74 chose Agree. Nevada's performance in FFY 2014 of 97% exceeded the state target of 92.5%.

Responses to the family survey are analyzed to assess the representativeness of the response group. Responses from most race/ethnicity groups are consistent with the percent of the sample population. There is a slightly higher response rate from families identifying themselves as "White" and a slightly lower rate of return from families identifying themselves as "Hispanic/Latino". The following table reflects the percentages for distribution and return of the survey based on race/ethnicity.

Table 3 - Distribution and Rate of Return by Race/Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	# Surveys Distributed Statewide	% of Statewide Total	# Responses Statewide	% of Statewide Total	Ra by	
White	647	40.6%	168	52.0%	26°.	
Hispanic/Latino	616	38.7%	100	31.0%	169	
Black or African American	137	8.6%	20	6.2%	159	
Asian	66	4.1%	16	5.0%	24°	
American Indian or Alaska Native	12	0.8%	2	0.6%	179	
Two or More Races	102	6.4%	15	4.6%	159	
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	12	0.8%	2	0.6%	179	
Totals	1,592	100%	323	100%	20.	

Was sampling used? No

Was a collection tool used? Yes Is it a new or revised collection tool? No  Yes, the data accurately represent the demographics of the State  No, the data does not accurately represent the demographics of the State
Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

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### **Indicator 4: Family Involvement**

Required Actions from FFY 2013

Monitoring Priority: Early Intervention Services In Natural Environments

Compliance indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013 response
Actions required in FFF 2010 response
Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response, not including correction of findings

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### Indicator 5: Child Find (Birth to One)

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to national data.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target ≥			0.60%	0.65%	0.70%	0.75%	0.80%	0.85%	0.90%	0.95%
Data		0.47%	0.67%	0.91%	0.65%	0.63%	1.02%	1.15%	1.08%	0.80%

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### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target ≥	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%

Key: Blue – Data Update

### **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

The proposed targets for this indicator for FFY 2013 through FFY 2018 were presented to the State ICC on January 22, 2015 for review and comment.

No changes were made to targets for this indicator in FFY 2014.

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### Indicator 5: Child Find (Birth to One) FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to national data.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

### **Prepopulated Data**

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
SY 2014-15 Child Count/Educational Environment Data Groups	7/2/2015	Number of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs	391	null
U.S. Census Annual State Resident Population Estimates April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2013	4/3/2014	Population of infants and toddlers birth to 1	34,862	null

### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs	Population of infants and toddlers birth to 1	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
391	34,862	0.80%	1.00%	1.12%	Met Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

Data for this indicator are generated through the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system. This count represents all children with an active Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) on December 1, 2014. This is a point-in-time count. Nevada count of children served, ages birth to one (1) year for this reporting period was 391 which was 1.12% of the general population of infants in the State. When compared to other states and the District of Columbia, Nevada ranked 25th in the percent of population served. Nevada's percent served (1.12%) was slightly below the national average for the U.S. and outlying areas which was 1.15%.

The data for FFY 2014 shows significant improvement in the percent of population served compared to the December 1, 2013 count of 283 children and .80% of the population served.

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Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared to national data.

### **Indicator 5: Child Find (Birth to One)**

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Required Actions from FFY 2013

0 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)	
Actions required in FFY 2013 response	
Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response	

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### **Indicator 6: Child Find (Birth to Three)**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to national data.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target ≥			1.56%	1.67%	1.78%	1.89%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
Data		1.36%	1.36%	1.67%	1.69%	1.54%	2.09%	2.31%	2.35%	2.38%

y: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target ≥	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%

Key: Blue – Data Update

### **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

The proposed targets for FFY 2013 through FFY 2018 were presented to the State Interagency Coordinating Council for review at the January 22, 2015 meeting for review and input. No concerns were expressed by the ICC and the proposed targets were adopted.

No changes made to the targets for FFY 2014.

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### Indicator 6: Child Find (Birth to Three)

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to national data.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

### **Prepopulated Data**

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
SY 2014-15 Child Count/Educational Environment Data Groups	7/2/2015	Number of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs	2,889	
U.S. Census Annual State Resident Population Estimates April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2013	7/2/2015	Population of infants and toddlers birth to 3	104,092	

### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs	Population of infants and toddlers birth to 3	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
2,889	104,092	2.38%	2.00%	2.78%	Met Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

### Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

Data for this indicator is gathered through the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) statewide data system and includes all children with an active Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) on **December 1**, **2014**. This is a point-in-time count.

Statewide: On December 1, 2014, a total of **2,889** infants and toddlers in Nevada, **ages birth to three (3)**, had an active IFSP. This number divided by the total estimated population of 104,092 children in this age range in the state indicates **2.78% of the population** had an IFSP on that date. The State exceeded the performance target of 2% for this reporting period.

When compared to the 50 states and the District of Columbia, Nevada ranked 23rd in the percent of the general population served for infants and toddlers ages birth to age three (3). The State performance of 2.78% for this reporting period was slightly below the average of 2.95% for the U.S. and Outlying Areas.

Performance for this reporting period shows a significant increase over the 2,512 children receiving services on December 1, 2013 and over the 2.38% of population served as of that date.

Cumulative data shows a total of 5,576 eligible children with an IFSP received early intervention services during this reporting period.

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### **Indicator 6: Child Find (Birth to Three)**

Required Actions from FFY 2013

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Results indicator: Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to national data.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013 response	
Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response	

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# Indicator 7: 45-day timeline

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Compliance indicator: Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and initial assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data** Baseline Data: 2005 **FFY** 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 Target 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% Data 67.10% 92.52% 94.10% 91.30% 69.00% 94.00% 99.40% 99.45% 99.83% Gray - Data Prior to Baseline Yellow - Baseline Key: Blue - Data Update FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets FFY 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Key: Blue – Data Update							
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# Indicator 7: 45-day timeline

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Compliance indicator: Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and initial assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting was conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline	Number of eligible infants and toddlers evaluated and assessed for whom an initial IFSP meeting was required to be conducted	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
2,716	2,971	99.83%	100%	99.83%	Did Not Meet Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Number of documented delays attributable to exceptional family circumstances (this number will be added to the Numbe oddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting was conducted within Pa		
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What is the source of the data provided for this indicator?

State monitoring

State database

Provide the time period in which the data were collected (e.g., September through December, fourth quarter, selection from the full reporting period).

The data reported for this indicator include all eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting was conducted within this reporting period (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015).

Describe how the data accurately reflect data for infants and toddlers with IFSPs for the full reporting period.

#### FFY 2014 Performance

This data includes all eligible infants and toddlers with an Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) for whom initial evaluation/assessment and initial IFSP meetings were conducted from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 and is therefore representative of the total population served.

The performance data for this indicator are taken from the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system. All early intervention service (EIS) providers in the State are required to maintain individual child data in the TRAC system for all children enrolled in their programs. The data for this report are based on the final data for the FFY 2014 reporting period. The data shows:

- A total of 2,971 children had an initial evaluation/assessment and an initial IFSP meeting convened during the reporting period.
- 2,716 children had their initial IFSP meeting conducted within 45 days from the date they were referred to the early intervention system.
- 250 children had an initial IFSP meeting convened beyond the 45 day timeline where the delay was due to family circumstances.
- 2,966 (99.83%) of all initial IFSPs were compliant with the 45-day timeline requirement.

Family circumstances documented as reasons for delay in meeting the 45-day timeline for convening the initial IFSP included:

- Family cancellation of appointments
- · Child hospitalized or ill
- Parent not available to schedule the appointment within the 45-day timeline (work schedule, vacation, relocating, etc.)
- Parent had personal or medical emergency and was not available for appointments

Monitoring EIS Provider Programs for Compliance with 45-Day Requirements

A total of twelve (12) EIS Provider Programs were active in the State during this reporting period. Monitoring of these programs for this indicator was conducted through desk audit of data from the TRAC system. The Part C Data Manager generates reports for each provider agency on a quarterly basis and each program is given opportunity to complete any needed data clean-up at this time. Compiled data for the first three (3) quarters of the fiscal year are utilized for annual program monitoring purposes. Each program's performance/compliance status is based on the compiled data for the first three (3) quarters of the fiscal year. A finding of noncompliance was issued to any program whose performance is less than 100%. Verification of data accuracy may also be verified through the review of child records on a random basis. When applicable, data from the fourth quarter may be utilized to verify the program's correction of noncompliance.

Results of FFY 2014 Monitoring

Twelve (12) EIS programs were monitored through the TRAC data system for compliance with 45-day timeline requirements in FFY 2014.

- Ten (10) EIS programs were found to be at 100% compliance
- Two (2) EIS programs were issued a new finding of noncompliance for this indicator. Both programs had performance of 99.7% which is considered substantially compliant (95%) or above. Both programs have been verified to have timely correction. This correction will be reported in the FFY 2015 APR.

The five (5) IFSPs delayed due to program circumstances were developed within a range of 53 to 114 days from the date of referral to the early intervention system. The one (1) IFSP developed 114 days from referral was due to a breakdown in communication in transferring the child from one program to another. The remaining four (4) were delayed due to provider illness or family emergency.

While the State did not meet the target of 100% for FFY 2014, the performance was consistent with that of FFY 2013.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

# Indicator 7: 45-day timeline

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Compliance indicator: Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and initial assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013 response	
Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response, not including correction of findings	

# Indicator 7: 45-day timeline

#### **Correction of Previous Findings of Noncompliance**

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Child Find

Compliance indicator: Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an initial evaluation and initial assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2013

Findings of Noncompliance Identified	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected Within One Year	Findings of Noncompliance Subsequently Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
3	3	0	0

#### FFY 2013 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

#### Verification the Program is Implementing Requirements for All Children Enrolled:

New data reports for this indicator are generated on a quarterly basis from the TRAC data system. New data reports
generated in quarters subsequent to the issuing of the finding are reviewed. When a program was found to be at 100%
for one (1) quarter (depending on the level of noncompliance) based on the new data, the program was notified of
correction.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

#### **Verification of Individual Child Correction:**

• Individual child correction was verified for all children from the original finding based on the fact that all had an IFSP developed, though late.

#### Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified Prior to FFY 2013

	Findings of Noncompliance Not Yet Verified as Corrected as of FFY 2013 APR	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
None			

# **Indicator 8: Early Childhood Transition**

FFY 2014 Data: All Indicator 8 Sections

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C	2,495
Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	1,418

# Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

Data for reporting on Indicator 8 is gathered through a combination of data from the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) statewide data system and program monitoring. Data for Indicator 8.A. is gathered through program monitoring in order to verify transition plans in the child's IFSP is timely and has all required components. It is not possible to verify this through the data system at this time as the complete IFSP is not entered into the data system.

Data for Indicators 8.B. and 8.C. are compiled from the TRAC system as the data for all children are available for these Indicators through the system.

# **Indicator 8A: Early Childhood Transition**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Data		85.71%	89.70%	94.00%	100%	98.00%	100%	95.00%	98.80%	98.92%

ey: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

#### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

# **Indicator 8A: Early Childhood Transition**

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday:
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
Indicator 8	1/4/2016	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C	2,495	195
Indicator 8	1/19/2016	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	1,418	null

## **Explanation of Alternate Data**

Data for this indicator are taken from program monitoring. A selection of child records are reviewed to evaluate the timeliness and completeness of transition plans included in the child's IFSP. Review of a minimum of 10% of records is required (20% for smaller programs) for program assessment. For this reporting period, the number of children relevant to transition planning within the period reviewed (July 1, 2014 - March 31, 2015) in the statewide selection of records was 195.

Data include only those toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday.





Number of children exiting Part C who have an IFSP with transition steps and services	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	
194	195	98.92%	100%	99.49%	

Status	Slippage
Did Not Meet Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Number of documented delays attributable to exceptional family circumstances (this number will be added to the Number of children exiting	0
Part C who have an IFSP with transition steps and services)	O

What is the source of the data provided for this indicator?



State monitoring



Describe the method used to select EIS programs for monitoring.

**Process for Selection of Programs for Monitoring:** 

The IDEA Part C Office has required all early intervention service provider programs to participate in the monitoring process on an annual basis. Programs initiate the monitoring process by conducting a self-assessment (SA). Each program's final report is submitted to the IDEA Part C Office along with all supporting documentation. The report and supporting documents are reviewed by IDEA Part C Office personnel and verification activities are conducted. Programs identified as having noncompliance in an indicator are issued one (1) finding for that indicator. Programs are also selected for focused monitoring based on concerns identified by the IDEA Part C Office through desk audit or complaint investigations.

A total of twelve (12) early intervention service (EIS) provider programs statewide were providing comprehensive early intervention (EI) services during this reporting period. Eleven (11) programs participated in the SA process in FFY 2014. One (1) EIS program was in process of a focused monitoring and did not conduct a SA.

For the SA/Monitoring process, data for this indicator are gathered through child record reviews in order to review transition plans included in the child's IFSP. This includes verifying the transition plan was developed in a timely manner and that it included all required components. The timeframe covered for the FFY 2014 monitoring was all activity between July 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015. This data is not available through the TRAC data system at this time.

A minimum number of records was required to be reviewed for each program (10% of enrollment for large programs/20% for smaller programs). In smaller programs, all children transitioning during the period may be reviewed to ensure the number is appropriate for reporting. In larger programs, the minimum number of records in the selection are sufficient to represent the total number of children exiting the EIS program. Cumulatively, the 195 records reviewed represented 13.8% of the children exiting EI servcies and requiring a transition plan be included in the IFSP. The data is gathered statewide and includes a sufficient number of records to be representative of the statewide population for this indicator.

#### Results of FFY 2014 Monitoring and General Supervision Activities

#### **Annual Self-Assessment Monitoring:**

Ten (10) programs were found to be at 100% compliance for the reporting period based on annual monitoring.

One (1) program was issued one (1) new finding of noncompliance. This was a small program and the program's performance of 90% was based on one (1) of ten (10) IFSP's not meeting requirements. Correction of the noncompliance will be reported in the FFY 2015 APR.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

# **Indicator 8A: Early Childhood Transition**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013	response			
Responses to actions require	ed in FFY 2013 response,	not including correctio	n of findings	

# **Indicator 8A: Early Childhood Transition**

**Correction of Previous Findings of Noncompliance** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2013

Findings of Noncompliance Identified	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected Within One Year	Findings of Noncompliance Subsequently Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
2	2	null	0

#### FFY 2013 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

Two (2) programs each had one (1) finding of noncompliance in this indicator issued in FFY 2013. Both were small programs so, while performance was at 88%, the level of noncompliance was based on one (1) child record for one (1) program and two (2) child records for the other program.

New data was gathered for this Indicator through the annual self-assessment monitoring process for FFY 2014. Based on the new data, both programs were found to have 100% performance and were notified of timely correction of the noncompliance.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

Individual child correction was not possible for the children with identified noncompliance in this indicator as the children had exited Part C services and were no longer in the jurisdiction of the program. Training was provided to program personnel regarding the requirements for transition plans and files were reviewed to ensure this was not a systemic issue for the program.

#### Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified Prior to FFY 2013

	Findings of Noncompliance Not Yet Verified as Corrected as of FFY 2013 APR	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
None			

# **Indicator 8B: Early Childhood Transition**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Data		100%	73.40%	79.00%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

ey: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

#### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

	FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
larget 100% 100% 100% 100% 100%	Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

# **Indicator 8B: Early Childhood Transition**

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
Indicator 8	1/19/2016	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	1,418	null

#### Data include notification to both the SEA and LEA



No

Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where notification to the SEA and LEA occurred at least 90 days prior to their third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
1,418	1,418	100%	100%	100%	Met Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Number of parents who opted out (this number will be subtracted from the number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B when calculating the FFY 2014 Data)
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#### Describe the method used to collect these data

Nevada does not have an opt-out policy for notifications to the State Education Agency (SEA) and the Local Education Agency (LEA).

The compliance percentage for this indicator was derived using the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) child data collection system. In completing the 618 Exit Data Report, Nevada used the categories under Program Completion for FFY 2014 (2014-2015) to calculate the number of children exiting Part C and potentially eligible for Part B. Nevada has defined "potentially eligible for Part B" as all Part C eligible children since Nevada has a restrictive eligibility definition. The IDEA Part C Office issued monthly notifications to the pertinent LEA and to the SEA. The process is verified at multiple levels to ensure appropriate notification has been sent for all children. For this reporting period, there were 1,418 children who were potentially eligible for Part B services. Appropriate notification was issued for all (100%) of these children. Children who were referred less than 45 days prior to their third (3rd) birthday are not included in this calculation.

School districts where there were no children potentially eligible received notifications that stated there were

no children in their district who were potentially eligible for Part B during the reporting period.

Do you have a written opt-out policy? No

What is the source of the data provided for this indicator?



State database

Provide the time period in which the data were collected (e.g., September through December, fourth quarter, selection from the full reporting period).

Data for this indicator represent all children exiting IDEA Part C services in Nevada and potentially eligible for Part B services from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Describe how the data accurately reflect data for infants and toddlers with IFSPs for the full reporting period.

The data includes all infants and toddlers statewide exiting Part C services and potentially eligible for Part B services. It is, therefore, representative of the population served for this indicator.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

# **Indicator 8B: Early Childhood Transition**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013 response
Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response, not including correction of findings

# **Indicator 8B: Early Childhood Transition**

**Correction of Previous Findings of Noncompliance** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2013**

Findings of Noncompliance Identified	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected Within One Year	Findings of Noncompliance Subsequently Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
null	null	null	0

# **Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified Prior to FFY 2013**

	Findings of Noncompliance Not Yet Verified as Corrected as of FFY 2013 APR	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
None			

# **Indicator 8C: Early Childhood Transition**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data**

Baseline Data: 2005

FFY	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Target			100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Data		71.40%	91.60%	89.00%	100%	95.00%	97.00%	96.00%	97.25%	99.08%

ey: Gray – Data Prior to Baseline Yellow – Baseline Blue – Data Update

#### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

# **Indicator 8C: Early Childhood Transition**

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

Source	Date	Description		Overwrite Data
Indicator 8	1/19/2016	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	1,418	null

Data reflect only those toddlers for whom the Lead Agency has conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services

No

# Please explain

Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where the transition conference occurred at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties at least nine months prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B	Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
1,351	1,418	99.08%	100%	98.87%	Did Not Meet Target	No Slippage

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Number of toddlers for whom the parent did not provide approval for the transition conference (this number will be subtracted from the number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C who were potentially eligible for Part B when calculating the FFY 2014 Data)	0
Number of documented delays attributable to exceptional family circumstances (this number will be added to the Number of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where the transition conference occurred at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties at least nine months prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B)	51

What is the source of the data provided for this indicator?

State monitoring

State database that includes data for the entire reporting year

Describe the method used to select EIS programs for monitoring.

Provide the time period in which the data were collected (e.g., September through December, fourth quarter, selection from the full reporting period).

Data includes all children exiting early intervention services and potentially eligible for Part B between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015.

Describe how the data accurately reflect data for infants and toddlers with IFSPs for the full reporting period.

The data is inclusive of **all** children exiting Part C services with an IFSP on their third birthday and potentially eligible for Part B services during the reporting period.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

# **Indicator 8C: Early Childhood Transition**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions required in FFY 2013	response			
Responses to actions require	ed in FFY 2013 response,	not including correctio	n of findings	

# **Indicator 8C: Early Childhood Transition**

**Correction of Previous Findings of Noncompliance** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / Effective Transition

Compliance indicator: The percentage of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with timely transition planning for whom the Lead Agency has:

- A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday;
- B. Notified (consistent with any opt-out policy adopted by the State) the SEA and the LEA where the toddler resides at least 90 days prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services; and
- C. Conducted the transition conference held with the approval of the family at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months, prior to the toddler's third birthday for toddlers potentially eligible for Part B preschool services.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2013

Findings of Noncompliance Identified		Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected Within One Year	Findings of Noncompliance Subsequently Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected	
	7	7	0	0	

#### FFY 2013 Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected

Describe how the State verified that the source of noncompliance is correctly implementing the regulatory requirements

#### Verification the Program is Implementing Requirements for All Children Enrolled:

 New data reports for this indicator are generated on a quarterly basis from the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system. New data reports generated in quarters subsequent to the issuing of the finding are reviewed.
 When a program was found to be at 100% for one (1) quarter (depending on the level of noncompliance) based on the new data, the program was notified of correction.

Describe how the State verified that each individual case of noncompliance was corrected

#### **Verification of Individual Child Correction:**

 Individual child correction was verified for all children from the original finding based on the fact that all had a Transition Conference conducted, though late.

# Correction of Findings of Noncompliance Identified Prior to FFY 2013

	Findings of Noncompliance Not Yet Verified as Corrected as of FFY 2013 APR	Findings of Noncompliance Verified as Corrected	Findings Not Yet Verified as Corrected
None			

# **Indicator 9: Resolution Sessions**

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements (applicable if Part B due process procedures are adopted).

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data** Baseline Data: **FFY** 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 Target ≥ Data 100% Gray - Data Prior to Baseline Yellow - Baseline Blue - Data Update

# FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target ≥					

Key: Blue – Data Update

#### **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

Performance data for FFY 2008 was prepopulated in error for Nevada for this Indicator.

The State is not establishing targets at this time as there has not been sufficient number of Due Process request. When there are ten (10) or more request in a reporting, targets will be established.

# Indicator 9: Resolution Sessions FFY 2014 Data

FF1 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements (applicable if Part B due process procedures are adopted).

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

# **Prepopulated Data**

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
SY 2014-15 EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey; Section C: Due Process Complaints	11/5/2015	3.1(a) Number resolution sessions resolved through settlement agreements	0	null
SY 2014-15 EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey; Section C: Due Process Complaints	11/5/2015	3.1 Number of resolution sessions	0	null

# FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

3.1(a) Number resolution sessions resolved through settlement agreements  3.1 Number of resolution sessions		FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
0	0				Incomplete Data	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

# **Indicator 9: Resolution Sessions**

**Required Actions from FFY 2013** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements (applicable if Part B due process procedures are adopted).

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

## Actions required in FFY 2013 response

None

#### Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response

The State did not have any requests for Due Process Hearings during this reporting period; therefore, no resolution sessions were conducted.

# NEVADA STATUS OF CORRECTION OF OUTSTANDING NONCOMPLIANCE REMAINING FINDINGS OF NONCOMPLIANCE IDENTIFIED IN FFY 2011 OR EARLIER

#### From the OSEP FFY 2013 APR Response:

Actions Required in FFY 2012 Response Table

The State must report, with the FFY 2013 SPP/APR, that it has corrected the remaining three findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011, the one remaining finding identified in FFY 2009 and the eight findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2008 that were not reported as corrected in the FFY 2012 APR. When reporting with the FFY 2013 SPP/APR on the correction of the remaining findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011 and FFY 2009, the State must report that it verified that each EIS program or provider with remaining findings of noncompliance: (1) is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has corrected each individual case of noncompliance, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program or provider, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02. The State must report, with the FFY 2013 SPP/APR, that it has corrected the remaining three findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011, the one remaining finding identified in FFY 2009 and the eight findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2008 that were not reported as corrected in the FFY 2012 APR. When reporting with the FFY 2013 SPP/APR on the correction of the remaining findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2009, the State must report that it verified that each EIS program or provider with remaining findings of noncompliance: (1) is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and (2) has corrected each individual case of noncompliance, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program or provider, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02.

#### Email From OSEP State Contact, January 05, 2016

#### Actions Required in FFY 2014 APR

"When reporting with the FFY 2014 SPP/APR on the correction of the remaining findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011, the State must report that it verified that each EIS program with a remaining finding of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011:

- (1) is correctly implementing the specific regulatory requirements (i.e., achieved 100% compliance) based on a review of updated data such as data subsequently collected through on-site monitoring or a State data system; and
- (2) has corrected each individual case of noncompliance, unless the child is no longer within the jurisdiction of the EIS program or provider, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02."

#### **Nevada Response:**

#### Correction of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2011

The following reflects the actions taken for correction of noncompliance from FFY 2011. The ongoing noncompliance was reported for the following indicators:

- Indicator 1 One (1) finding
- Indicator 2 Two (2) findings

# Correction of Longstanding Noncompliance - Indicator 1

Nevada's inability to correct long term noncompliance for Indicator 1, Timely Initiation of IFSP services, was a result of ongoing noncompliance for one (1) early intervention service (EIS) provider program. This program was notified of subsequent correction of the noncompliance on April 15, 2015. The following actions were taken to verify correction:

# Verification EIS Program Is Implementing Requirements for all Children:

A compliance agreement was established between the IDEA Part C Office and the EIS program in February 2015. Ongoing tracking of the program's performance through review of child records had shown substantial and ongoing progress. New data were gathered by the IDEA Part C Office by tracking all children entering the program between February 2 and February 16, 2015 through the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system per the compliance agreement. On March 19, 2015, the IDEA Part C Office conducted a verification visit to review the records of the 28 children entering the program in the specified timeframe. Of the 28 records reviewed, all records (100%) were found to have all IFSP services projected to start within the timeline of the verification initiated in a timely manner. Therefore, a letter of notification of correction for all nine (9) outstanding findings of noncompliance [eight (8) for 2008 and one (1) for 2011] in Timely Initiation of Services was issued to the program on April 15, 2015.

# **Individual Child Correction:**

In all instances, correction of noncompliance for individual children had been verified as services were initiated, though late, through review of the child's record unless the child was no longer in the jurisdiction of the EIS program. The EIS program also offered a remedy such as compensatory services or reimbursement for all children when applicable. Therefore, individual child correction has been verified for all children.

Correction of Longstanding Noncompliance - Indicator 2

Two (2) EIS programs were each issued one (1) finding of noncompliance in FFY 2011 based on complaint investigations. As of submission of the FFY 2014 APR, both have been notified of subsequent correction of the noncompliance.

#### Verification the EIS Program is Meeting Requirements for All Children:

#### Program 1:

The program's progress was tracked through data reports from the TRAC data system. The program also entered into a compliance agreement with the IDEA Part C Office in July 2014. New data was pulled for nine (9) children in August 2014. All but one (1) child had all services in settings considered natural environments. Review of the child's record showed there was an appropriate justification included in the IFSP. The program was notified of subsequent correction of the noncompliance on August 21, 2014.

#### Program 2:

The program's progress was tracked through data reports from the TRAC data system and through the submission of quarterly report to the IDEA Part C Office. The program made consistent progress. Based on new data gathered through the review of child records for the FFY 2014 monitoring process, the program was found to have achieved 100% (54 of 54 records) compliance. The program was notified of correction of the noncompliance on June 30, 2015 in the IDEA Part C Office response to the program's self-assessment report.

#### Individual Child Correction - Indicator 1:

For children with a service provided in a setting not considered a natural environment, programs were required to reconvene an IFSP meeting with the family to review service settings. If the IFSP team determined an alternative setting was required, an appropriate justification was included in the IFSP. Otherwise, the programs were required to transition the child to a setting that was a natural environment for the child and family. Documents reflecting the program's actions were submitted to the IDEA Part C Office or the action was verified through review of the child's record.

Table 9.A. Correction of Ongoing Noncompliance From FFY 2011

Indicator	# Programs	# Findings	As a Result of:	Subsequent Corrections	Total Corrections	Remaining
Indicator 1:	1	1	Complaint	1	1	0
Indicator 2	2	2	Complaint	2	2	0
Totals		3		3	3	0

#### **Correction of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2009**

#### Indicator 2:

One (1) program was originally issued a finding relative to this indicator in FFY 2009 based program monitoring. The program was monitored over time and demonstrated progress, with some fluctuation. The program entered into a compliance agreement with the IDEA Part C Office in July 2014. New data was pulled for nine (9) children in August 2014. All but one (1) child had all services in settings considered natural environments. Review of the child's record showed there was an appropriate justification included in the IFSP. The program was notified of subsequent correction of the noncompliance on August 21, 2014.

Table 9.B. Correction of Ongoing Noncompliance From FFY 2009

Indicator	# Programs	# Findings	As a Result of:	Subsequent Corrections	Total Corrections	Remaining
Indicator 2	1	1	Program Monitoring	1	1	0
Totals		1		1	1	0

## Correction of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2008

#### Indicator 1:

Nevada reported eight (8) ongoing findings of noncompliance from FFY 2008. These findings were issued to one (1) program. One (1) finding was based on program monitoring and seven (7) findings were a result of investigation of individual child complaints.

## Verification EIS Program Is Implementing Requirements for all Children:

A compliance agreement was established between the IDEA Part C Office and the EIS program in February 2015. Ongoing tracking of the program's performance through review of child records had shown substantial and ongoing progress. New data were gathered by the IDEA Part C Office by tracking all children entering the program between February 2 and February 16, 2015 through the Tracking Resources and Children (TRAC) data system per the compliance agreement. On March 19, 2015, the IDEA Part C Office conducted a verification visit to review the records of the 28 children entering the program in the specified timeframe. Of the 28 records reviewed, all records (100%) were found to have all IFSP services projected to start within the timeline of the verification initiated in a timely manner. Therefore, a letter of notification of correction for all eight (8) outstanding findings of noncompliance from 2008 was issued to the program on April 15, 2015.

Table 9.C. Correction of Ongoing Noncompliance From FFY 2008

Indicator	# Programs	# Findings	As a Result of:	Subsequent Corrections	Total Corrections	Remaining
Indicator 1	1	8	Program Monitoring	8	8	0
Totals		8		8	8	0

# Nevada PART C: REMAINING FINDINGS OF NONCOMPLIANCE IDENTIFIED IN FFY 2011 OR EARLER, AS NOTED IN OSEP'S 2014 SPP/APR RESPONSE TABLE

OSEP's June 23, 2014 SPP/APR Response Table noted that the State had remaining findings of noncompliance identified in FFY 2011 or earlier, and required the State to report, with the FFY 2013 SPP/APR, that it had corrected each of those remaining findings.

#### **Correction of Remaining Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2011**

N	lumber of remaining FFY 2011 findings noted in OSEP's FFY 2012 APR response table	3
N	lumber of remaining FFY 2011 findings the State has verified, consistent with OSEP Memo 09-02 as corrected	3
N	lumber of remaining FFY 2011 findings the State has NOT verified as corrected	0

# **Correction of Remaining Findings of Noncompliance Identified in FFY 2009**

Number of remaining FFY 2009 findings noted in OSEP's FFY 2012 APR response table	1
Number of remaining FFY 2009 findings the State has verified as corrected	1
Number of remaining FFY 2009 findings the State has NOT verified as corrected	0

# **Correction of Remaining FFY 2008 Findings of Noncompliance**

Number of remaining FFY 2008 findings noted in OSEP's FFY 2012 APR response table	8
Number of remaining FFY 2008 findings the State has verified as corrected	8
Number of remaining FFY 2008 findings the State has NOT verified as corrected	0

# Indicator 10: Mediation

**Historical Data and Targets** 

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

#### **Historical Data** Baseline Data: 2005 FFY 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 Target ≥ 100% 100% Data Yellow - Baseline Key: Gray - Data Prior to Baseline Blue - Data Update **Explanation of Changes** Data was prepopulated in this indicator for Nevada. Performance data of 100% was prepopulated for 2008 and Target data of 100% for 2012. This data was prepopulated in error as Nevada has not established targets for this indicator due to the low number of requests. Nevada has corrected this by removing the historical data for the years indicated.

#### FFY 2014 - FFY 2018 Targets

FFY	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Target ≥					

Key: Blue – Data Update

## **Targets: Description of Stakeholder Input**

Nevada is not establishing baseline or targets for Indicator 10 as of FFY 2014 as there have not been ten (10) requests for mediation in any reporting year to this point. Baseline and targets will be established when there are ten (10) or more mediation requests.

Nevada Part C has an established system for responding to requests for mediation. A pool of trained mediators is available and funds are set aside each year should a request be submitted. Procedures for requesting mediation are outlined in the Parent Handbook that is given to all families at the time of eligibility determination.

# **Indicator 10: Mediation**

FFY 2014 Data

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

# **Prepopulated Data**

Source	Date	Description	Data	Overwrite Data
SY 2014-15 EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey; Section B: Mediation Requests	11/5/2015	2.1.a.i Mediations agreements related to due process complaints	0	null
SY 2014-15 EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey; Section B: Mediation Requests	11/5/2015	2.1.b.i Mediations agreements not related to due process complaints	0	null
SY 2014-15 EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey; Section B: Mediation Requests	11/5/2015	2.1 Mediations held	0	null

# FFY 2014 SPP/APR Data

2.1.a.i Mediations agreements related to due process complaints	2.1.b.i Mediations agreements not related to due process complaints	2.1 Mediations held	FFY 2013 Data*	FFY 2014 Target*	FFY 2014 Data	Status	Slippage
0	0	0				N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> FFY 2013 Data and FFY 2014 Target are editable on the Historical Data and Targets page.

# Provide additional information about this indicator (optional)

The IDEA Part C Office did not receive any requests for mediation during this reporting period. The State has not established targets for this indicator and there has not been ten (10) requests for mediation in any reporting period.

# Indicator 10: Mediation Required Actions from FFY 2013

Monitoring Priority: Effective General Supervision Part C / General Supervision

Results indicator: Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements.

(20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B) and 1442)

Actions	required	in	<b>FFY</b>	2013	response
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None

# Responses to actions required in FFY 2013 response

The State had no requests for mediation during this reporting period.

# ANNUAL REPORT CERTIFICATION OF THE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL UNDER PART C OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA)

Under IDEA Section 641(e)(1)(D) and 34 CFR §303.604(c), the Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) of each jurisdiction that receives funds under Part C of the IDEA must prepare and submit to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education (Department) and to the Governor of its jurisdiction an annual report on the status of the early intervention programs for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families operated within the State. The ICC may either: (1) prepare and submit its own annual report to the Department and the Governor, or (2) provide this certification with the State lead agency's State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR)<sup>1</sup> under Part C of the IDEA. This certification (including the SPP/APR) is due no later than February 1, 2016.

On behalf of the ICC of the State/jurisdiction of, I hereby certify that the ICC is: [please check one]						
1. [ ] Submitting its own annual report (which is attached); or						
<ol> <li>Using the State's Part C SPP/APR for FFY 2014 in lieu of submitting the ICC's own annual report. By completing this certification, the ICC confirms that it has reviewed the State's Part C SPP/APR for accuracy and completeness.<sup>2</sup></li> </ol>						
I hereby further confirm that a copy of this Annual Re report or SPP/APR has been provided to our Govern						
Signature of ICC Chairperson	Date					
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Address or e-mail	_					
Daytime telephone number						

<sup>1</sup> Under IDEA Sections 616(b)(2)(C)(ii)(II) and 642 and under 34 CFR §80.40, the lead agency's SPP/APR must report on the State's performance under its SPP/APR and contain information about the activities and accomplishments of the grant period for a particular Federal fiscal year (FFY).

<sup>2</sup> If the ICC is using the State's Part C SPP/APR and it disagrees with data or other information presented in the State's Part C SPP/APR, the ICC must attach to this certification an explanation of the ICC's disagreement and submit the certification and explanation no later than February 1, 2016.