

New State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR) Package

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Refresher on the SPP/APR

- The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires each state to develop a state performance plan and annual performance report (SPP/APR)
- The SPP/APR evaluates the state's efforts to implement the requirements and purposes of the IDEA and describes how the state will improve its implementation



Included in the SPP/APR:

- Indicators that measure:
 - Child and family outcomes
 - Compliance with the requirements of the IDEA
- Indicators are tightly prescribed by the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) in a Part B measurement table that contains:
 - Monitoring priorities and indicators (with regulatory citations)
 - Data sources and measurement
 - Instructions for state education agencies (SEAs) for indicators/measurement





- An SEA must submit a state performance plan (SPP) every 6 years
- Each year, states must report against the targets in its SPP in an annual performance report (APR)
- The SPP/APR is due annually at the beginning of February



New SPP/APR Package

- The February 1, 2022, submission is the first year of the new SPP/APR package that OSEP recently released
- This new package contains 17 indicators, like the previous package
 - There are no new or deleted indicators, but instructions and measurements have changed for some metrics
 - See the IDC link on the SEAP web page for a refresher on the 17 indicators



What is the same this year (FFY 2020)?

- Indicator data and trends will be presented to SEAP, spaced throughout the year from March 2021 through January 2022 (until the SPP/APR is submitted)
- Some indicator data will be SY 2020–2021 and others will be SY 2019–2020, depending on what is required in the Part B Indicator Measurement Table
- COVID impacts will be noted and explored



What will be different this year?

- Since this is the first year of the new SPP/APR package, baselines and targets must also be set for the 6-year duration of the package
- If changes have to be made during the 6-year package, baselines and targets can be reset; normally, this is a one-time activity per SPP/APR 6-year cycle



Stakeholder Involvement

- For the FFY 2020, SPP/APR package, stakeholder involvement will be more robust:
 - Stakeholder input will be broadened and quantified
 - Activities that increase diverse stakeholder capacity to support development of implementation of activities will be described
 - Mechanisms and timelines for soliciting public input for target setting, analyzing data, developing improvement strategies, and evaluating progress will be outlined
 - Mechanisms and timelines for making the results of these activities available to the public will be outlined



How will this happen?

- SEAP, educator, and parent/family stakeholder meetings/webinars/surveys will be implemented throughout the year
- Stakeholder meetings will solicit input on:
 - Setting targets and baselines
 - Analyzing data
 - Developing improvement strategies
 - Evaluating progress



Concrete steps for the SEA

• ADE/ESS:

- Will develop data visualizations and analyze data to prepare for stakeholder meetings
- Is developing a collaborative partnership with Raising Special Kids (RSK) to recruit parent/family stakeholders and conduct meetings throughout the year
- Will document stakeholder involvement per OSEP requirements
- Will launch a new ADE/ESS Public Comment webpage (for SPP/APR and other purposes)
- Will review input from stakeholders along with other data to set indicator targets and baselines
- Will share targets and changes for the FFY 2020 SPP/APR with stakeholders and the public
- Will make any necessary changes to the PEA Determination process and make information available to the public





Questions

Any questions not asked today can be directed to the SEAP Inbox for consideration at a future meeting.

