Development of the Transition Plan

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Theme E
Transition from Part C to Part B
In this module, you’ll learn:

- **Why** transition planning for toddlers & families in Part C is important
  
- **How** a child’s transition plan is developed, by whom, and by when

### Basic Facts

- OSEP has published a model IFSP form that includes a transition plan
- Every toddler in Part C must have a transition plan in the IFSP at least 90 days before turning 3
- In 2011, 349,370 toddlers exited Part C
- The transition plan is part of the IFSP, not a separate document
Developing the Transition Plan

For all toddlers with disabilities
Lead agency must ensure:

- Family is included in developing transition plan
- Program options are reviewed for the toddler

* from 3rd birthday to end of school year

** Transition Steps

- Discussions with, and training of, parents, as appropriate, regarding future placements and other matters related to the child’s transition. §303.344(h)(2)(i)

- Procedures to prepare the child for a change in service delivery, including steps to help the child:
  - adjust to, and function in, a new setting
  - exit from the Part C program.

§303.209(d)(3)(i) and §303.344(h)(2)(ii)
Transition Steps (cont.)

✓ Confirmation that child find information about the child has been transmitted to the LEA or other relevant agency, in accordance with 34 CFR §303.209(b) (and any policy adopted by the State under 34 CFR §303.401(e)) and, with parental consent if required under 34 CFR §303.414, transmission of additional information needed by the LEA to ensure continuity of services from the Part C program to the Part B program, including a copy of the most recent evaluation and assessments of the child and the family and most recent IFSP developed in accordance with 34 CFR §§303.340 through 303.345, §303.344(h)(2)(iv), including a copy of...

Transition Services

Identification of transition services & other activities that the IFSP team determines are necessary to support the transition of the child.

§303.209(d)(3)(ii) and §303.344(h)(2)(iv)
How, By Whom, By When?

Is the toddler potentially eligible for Part B services?

Yes.

- Lead agency convenes a transition conference
- Family approval needed
- Lead agency, family, & LEA participate
- Other IFSP Team members participate, too
How, By Whom, By When?

Is the toddler potentially eligible for Part B services?

No.
- Lead agency makes “reasonable efforts” to convene a transition conference
- Family approval needed
- Lead agency, family, & providers of other appropriate services participate
- Other IFSP Team members participate, too

Transition Requirements for “Late” Referrals to Part C

When there’s less than 90 or 45 days to go before the child’s 3rd birthday...

There’s not enough time left to hold transition conference & develop transition plan!

What’s a lead agency to do?
Roundup Time!