

# COMPLIANCE

## EARLY CHILDHOOD TRANSITION

INDICATOR  
**12**

### OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION RESOURCES



**Facilitated IEP meetings** are offered by the NJDOE as a form of conflict resolution in order to promote productive, student centered IEP meetings.



**Technical assistance for LEAs** can be requested to access direct consultation and professional development for the performance and compliance indicators.



Guidance and resources are available to support **effective IEP development**.

### EXTERNAL RESOURCES



Review the updated USED policy documents **“Emphasizing the Need for Early Childhood Inclusion, Transition for Students with Disabilities”**

- Including a [Q & A about Transition from Part C to Part B](#).



**Designing And Implementing Effective Early Childhood Transition Processes** (ECTA).



### FOCUS QUESTION

**Do students who are referred by Part C prior to age 3, and who are eligible for Part B, have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthday?**

### DEFINITION

This Compliance Indicator centers on the percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B and have an individual education program (IEP) developed and implemented by their third birthday. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) collects the data for this indicator through NJSMART as part of the Annual Data Report. LEAs enter the referral date, consent to evaluate date, and third birth date of each student that transitions from Part C to Part B for the school year. When the LEA has not provided an IEP by the child’s third birthday, the LEA must specify the reason for the delay.

This calculation relies on six different data points:

- a. The number of children who have been served in Part C and referred to Part B for Part B eligibility determination.
- b. The number of those referred determined to be NOT eligible and whose eligibility was determined prior to their third birthdays.
- c. The number of those found eligible who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthdays.
- d. The number of children for whom parent refusal to provide consent caused delays in evaluation or initial services or to whom exceptions under 34 CFR §300.301(d) applied.
- e. The number of children determined to be eligible for early intervention services under Part C less than 90 days before their third birthdays.
- f. The number of children whose parents chose to continue early intervention services beyond the child’s third birthday through a State’s policy under 34 CFR §303.211 or a similar State option.

The NJDOE calculates this indicator as the number found in “c” above divided by the total of “a” minus “b” minus “d” minus “e” minus “f”. The resulting ratio is multiplied by 100 to derive a percent.

### DATA SOURCE

NJSMART

### CALCULATION



# in “c” (see definition above)



# “a” - “b” - “d” - “e” - “f”

**x 100**