

Virginia

Table A – Part B

Issues Identified in the State Performance Plan

SPP Indicator	Issue	Required Action
<p>Indicator 12: Percent of children referred by Part C prior to age 3, who are found eligible for Part B, and who have an IEP developed and implemented by their third birthdays. (20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))</p>	<p>The State did not provide baseline data in the SPP in response to this Indicator.</p>	<p>The State must include, in the FFY 2005 APR, due February 1, 2007, both baseline data from FFY 2004 (July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005) and progress data from FFY 2005 (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006). Failure to include these data may affect OSEP's determination of the State's status under section 616(d) of the IDEA.</p>
<p>Indicator 14: Percent of youth who had IEPs, are no longer in secondary school and who have been competitively employed, enrolled in some type of postsecondary school, or both, within one year of leaving high school. (20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))</p>	<p>An evaluation of the sampling plan for Indicator 14 indicated that it was not technically sound (see OSEP's February 14, 2006 memorandum). Data will lack validity if based on a sampling plan that is not technically sound. OSEP is concerned because the State's plan is to use these invalid data to establish baseline data for this Indicator. The submission of invalid data is inconsistent with Federal statute and regulations, including section 616(b)(2)(B) of the IDEA, and will affect OSEP's determination of the State's status under section 616(d) of the IDEA.</p>	<p>As indicated in the February 14, 2006 OSEP memorandum, if a revised sampling plan has not been accepted by OSEP by the time the State submits its FFY 2005 APR on February 1, 2007, the State must submit a revised sampling methodology with the State's FFY 2005 APR, that describes how data were collected. In the FFY 2005 APR, the State also needs to explain how it addressed the deficiencies in the data collection noted in the attachment to the OSEP memorandum. If the State decides not to sample, but rather gather census data, please inform OSEP and revise the SPP accordingly.</p>
<p>Indicator 20: State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. (20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(B))</p>	<p>The State also described, on page 61, its actions to ensure reporting timelines are met and that reported data are accurate. On page 62 of the SPP, the State reported that, "All required reports were submitted in accordance with reporting requirements and within required timelines." The State did not, however, include as part of its baseline for Indicator 20, a clear statement as to the extent to which all State-reported data are accurate.</p>	<p>In its response to Indicator 20 in the APR, due February 1, 2007, the State must include both baseline data from FFY 2004 (July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005) regarding the extent to which its data are accurate, and progress data from FFY 2005 (July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006). Failure to include these data may affect OSEP's determination in 2007 of the State's status under section 616(d) of the IDEA.</p>