

Louisiana Part C SPP/ FFY 2005 APR Response Table

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<p>1. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who receive the early intervention services on their IFSPs in a timely manner. [Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State’s FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 50%. The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p> <p>OSEP could not determine whether progress or slippage occurred, because the FFY 2005 data are not comparable to the State’s FFY 2004 baseline data.</p> <p>It is unclear whether the State made or corrected previously identified findings of noncompliance with the requirements of this indicator.</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>OSEP’s March 13, 2006 SPP response letter required the State to include in the February 1, 2007 APR data to demonstrate compliance with the timely service provision requirements in 34 CFR §§303.340(c), 303.342(e) and 303.344(f)(1). The State’s FFY 2005 data indicate continued noncompliance, but OSEP could not determine whether slippage occurred from FFY 2004, because the FFY 2005 data are not comparable to the State’s FFY 2004 data. The State’s FFY 2004 baseline data of 75.5% were based on the timely initiation of Part C services added to only initial IFSPs, not all IFSPs. The State’s data indicate noncompliance with the timely Part C service provision requirements.¹</p> <p>The State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if appropriate, to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with the timely service provision requirements in 34 CFR §§303.340(c), 303.342(e) and 303.344(f)(1), including correction of any noncompliance identified in FFY 2005.</p>
<p>2. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or programs for typically developing children. [Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State’s FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 98.6%. The State met its FFY 2005 target of 97%.</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>OSEP appreciates the State’s efforts to improve performance. It is important that the State also monitor to ensure that IFSP teams make individualized decisions regarding the settings in which infants and toddlers receive early intervention services, in accordance with Part C natural environment requirements.</p>

¹ The State’s FFY 2005 grant award under Part C included a Special Condition regarding the provision of all early intervention services on each child’s IFSP. Unlike this indicator, the Special Condition did not specifically address the timeliness of the early intervention services. The State’s May 1, 2006 final progress report provided data indicating significant progress with the Special Condition. The State’s FFY 2006 grant award did not include Special Conditions.

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<p>3. Percent of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who demonstrate improved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. <p>[Results Indicator; New]</p>	<p>Entry data provided.</p>	<p>The State reported the required entry data and activities. The State must provide progress data and improvement activities in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008.</p>
<p>4. Percent of families participating in Part C who report that early intervention services have helped the family:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Know their rights; B. Effectively communicate their children's needs; and C. Help their children develop and learn. <p>[Results Indicator; New]</p>	<p>The State's reported baseline data for this indicator are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4A. 73 % 4B. 71% 4C. 85% 	<p>The State provided baseline data, targets and improvement activities and OSEP accepts the SPP for this indicator.</p> <p>The State provided percentages for Indicators 4A, 4B, and 4C, but did not also include raw data. The State must provide the required information in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008.</p>
<p>5. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 1 with IFSPs compared</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator under IDEA</p>	<p>The State revised its SPP targets for FFYs 2006 through 2010 for this indicator and OSEP accepts those revisions based on the State's revisions to its definition</p>

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<p>to:</p> <p>A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and</p> <p>B. National data.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>section 618 are 1.79%.</p> <p>The State met its FFY 2005 target of 1.61%.</p>	<p>of developmental delay and other revisions to the State's policies and procedures.</p> <p>The State met its target and OSEP appreciates the State's efforts to improve performance.</p>
<p>6. Percent of infants and toddlers birth to 3 with IFSPs compared to:</p> <p>A. Other States with similar eligibility definitions; and</p> <p>B. National data.</p> <p>[Results Indicator]</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator under IDEA section 618 are 1.76%. This represents slippage from FFY 2004 data of 2.3%.</p> <p>The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 2.4%.</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>The State reported its performance for this indicator was affected by significant displacement of its population due to Hurricane Katrina.</p> <p>The State reported slippage and OSEP looks forward to the State's data demonstrating improvement in performance in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008.</p>
<p>7. Percent of eligible infants and toddlers with IFSPs for whom an evaluation and assessment and an initial IFSP meeting were conducted within Part C's 45-day timeline.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 95.02%. This represents progress from the FFY 2004 data of 90.58%. The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that prior noncompliance was not fully corrected.</p>	<p>OSEP's March 13, 2006 SPP response letter required the State to include in the February 1, 2007 APR data to demonstrate compliance with the 45-day timeline requirements 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1) and 303.342(a). The State reported that although prior noncompliance was not corrected, the State has made progress in correction and in ensuring compliance with these 45-day timeline requirements.</p> <p>The State's FFY 2005 APR states "Louisiana's data excludes family reasons for delays." It is unclear if the State is tracking documented exceptional family circumstances in this indicator and how those data are included in the calculation for this indicator. If the State tracks these data and wishes to include them in the compliance calculation, the number of children for whom the timeline was not met due to documented exceptional family circumstances would be included in both the numerator and the denominator of the calculation for this indicator in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, and the State must provide the specific numbers for its calculation.</p> <p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with the 45-</p>

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		day timeline requirements in 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1) and 303.342(a), including correction of any noncompliance identified in FFY 2004 and FFY 2005.
<p>8A. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>A. IFSPs with transition steps and services;</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 86%. This represents progress from the FFY 2004 data of 73%. The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p> <p>The State reported that prior noncompliance was mostly corrected.</p>	<p>The State revised the timeline for an improvement activity for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts the revision.</p> <p>OSEP's March 13, 2006 SPP response letter required the State to include in the February 1, 2007 APR data to demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §§303.148(b)(4) and 303.344(h)(1).</p> <p>The State reported partial correction of prior noncompliance in a timely manner. Specifically, the State reported in the APR that of the 15 agencies that were still providing services when the State conducted follow-up monitoring in 2005-2006, there were nine findings of noncompliance in 2004-2005, of which eight (89%) were corrected within one year of identification.</p> <p>The State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if appropriate, to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008 that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §§303.148(b)(4) and 303.344(h), including correction of any findings outstanding from FFYs 2004 and 2005.</p>
<p>8B. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>B. Notification to LEA, if child potentially eligible for Part B; and</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State met its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>OSEP's March 13, 2006 SPP response letter required the State to include in the February 1, 2007 APR data that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(1). The State provided data demonstrating compliance.</p> <p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts in achieving compliance, and looks forward to reviewing data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that continue to demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(1).</p>

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<p>8C. Percent of all children exiting Part C who received timely transition planning to support the child's transition to preschool and other appropriate community services by their third birthday including:</p> <p>C. Transition conference, if child potentially eligible for Part B.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 96%. This represents progress from the FFY 2004 data of 81%. The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p>	<p>The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions.</p> <p>OSEP's March 13, 2006 SPP response letter required the State to include in the February 1, 2007 APR data that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) (as amended by IDEA section 637(a)(9)). The State's data indicate progress in ensuring compliance with these transition requirements.</p> <p>OSEP appreciates the State's efforts and looks forward to reviewing data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) (as amended by IDEA section 637(a)(9)).</p>
<p>9. General supervision system (including monitoring, complaints, hearings, etc.) identifies and corrects noncompliance as soon as possible but in no case later than one year from identification.</p> <p>[Compliance Indicator]</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 92% (or timely correction of 23 of 25 findings). While this appears to indicate slippage from OSEP's recalculated FFY 2004 data of 95.3% (timely correction of 41 of 43 findings), it is not clear whether the State included in its FFY 2005 calculation correction of all findings identified in FFY 2004.</p> <p>The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p>	<p>The State must review its improvement activities and revise them, if appropriate, to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with this requirement.</p> <p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008 that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in IDEA sections 616(a), 642, and 635(a)(10) and 34 CFR §303.501(b), including correction of any uncorrected findings in 7 and 8A above from FFY 2004. In its response to Indicator 9 in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, the State must disaggregate by APR indicator the status of timely correction of the noncompliance findings identified by the State during FFY 2005. In addition, the State must, in responding to Indicators 1, 7, 8A, 8C, 10, and 14, specifically identify and address the noncompliance identified in this table under those indicators.</p>
<p>10. Percent of signed written complaints with reports issued that were resolved within 60-day timeline or a timeline extended for exceptional circumstances with respect to a</p>	<p>The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 69%. This represents slippage from the FFY 2004 data of 100%.</p> <p>The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%.</p>	<p>The State reported in the APR that five of 16 written complaints filed were not resolved within the required 60-day timeframe or an appropriately extended timeline. The State explained that the investigations on those complaints were delayed due to EIS providers not readily providing documentation, and that the State has identified enforcement sanctions against providers if they should continue this practice in the future.</p>

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particular complaint. [Compliance Indicator]		The State must implement and evaluate its improvement activities and revise them, if appropriate, to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in 34 CFR §303.512.
11. Percent of fully adjudicated due process hearing requests that were fully adjudicated within the applicable timeline. [Compliance Indicator]	The State did not receive any hearing requests during the reporting period.	The State did not receive any hearing requests during the reporting period.
12. 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). [Results Indicator; New]	Not applicable.	The State has adopted Part C due process hearing procedures under 34 CFR §303.420.
13. Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements. [Results Indicator]	The State did not receive any requests for mediation.	The State is not required to provide targets or improvement activities until any FFY in which 10 or more mediations were conducted.
14. State reported data (618 and State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report) are timely and accurate. [Compliance Indicator]	The State's FFY 2005 reported data for this indicator are 50%. The State did not meet its FFY 2005 target of 100%. OSEP cannot determine whether progress was made.	The State revised the improvement activities for this indicator in its SPP and OSEP accepts those revisions. OSEP could not determine whether the State made progress because the State's narrative in the FFY 2004 APR and SPP reported data that cannot be compared to the percentage in the FFY 2005 APR. Further, the 50% FFY 2005 data appear to be based only on the delay in the State's data submissions, rather than reflecting both the timeliness and accuracy of data as required for this indicator.

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		<p>The State must implement and evaluate its improvement activities and revise them, if appropriate, to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the FFY 2006 APR, due February 1, 2008, that demonstrate compliance with the requirements in IDEA sections 616, 618 and 642, and 34 CFR §§303.176 and 303.540, including a specific percentage that reflects the extent to which State-reported data (under IDEA sections 616 and 618) are timely and accurate, and the State's explanation of its calculation. OSEP is available to provide technical assistance in making this calculation.</p>