

GEORGIA Part C

Table B

Previously Identified Issues

Issue	State Submission	OSEP Analysis	Required Action
<p><b>Indicator 7:</b> Whether the State is in compliance with the 45-day timeline for conducting an evaluation, assessment and an initial IFSP meeting as required by 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1) and 303.342(a)</p> <p>In its FFY 2003 APR, the State provided data showing that, for the final four months of SFY 2004: (1) 93% of IFSPs were developed within 45 days, excluding family-identified reasons for delays; and (2) three districts reported percentages less than 90%. OSEP's September 29, 2005 letter responding to the APR required the State to submit, in its SPP, data and analysis demonstrating progress toward compliance with the 45-day timeline requirements.</p>	<p>On page 29 of the SPP, the State provided data indicating that for FFY 2004, 92% of IFSPs were developed within Part C's 45-day timeline, excluding family-identified reasons for delay. On page 30, the State explained that: (1) data were collected for every IFSP to respond to the indicator: (2) reasons for delay in meeting the 45-day timeline were documented in each child's record, recorded on each IFSP and entered in the data system; and (3) family-identified reasons for delays (child illness/hospitalization, family response time, and family requested delay) were not included in calculations. On pages 30 and 31 of the SPP, the State described the strategies that it will implement to improve compliance, which included: (1) monthly production, analysis and monitoring of State and district 45-day timeline compliance percentages; (2) analysis and review of monthly reports to identify any instances of noncompliance and implement immediate action to correct noncompliance as appropriate; and (3) more intensive focus on any districts with percentages below 90%.</p>	<p>The State reported a 92% level of compliance with the requirements at 34 CFR §§303.321(e)(2), 303.322(e)(1) and 303.342(a). While this level of compliance is below 100% and requires continued implementation of improvement activities to achieve full compliance, OSEP recognizes the effort made by the State in working toward compliance with this requirement.</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing data in the APR, due February 1, 2007, that demonstrate full compliance with these requirements.</p>

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<p><b>Indicator 8:</b> Whether the State is in compliance with the transition planning meeting timeline requirements at 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) and the transition related content requirements at 34 CFR §303.344(h).</p> <p>In its May 21, 2004 letter responding to the State's FFY 2002 APR, OSEP indicated that it could not determine whether the State was complying with the 90-day planning meeting timeline requirement of 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) and the transition related content requirements at 34 CFR §303.344(h), and required the State to submit, within 90 days, data and a determination of compliance on these issues. In its August 2004 Progress Report, the State indicated it would be unable to demonstrate compliance on these issues by the FFY 2003 APR. In its FFY 2003 APR, the State provided data indicating that one of the six districts monitored was noncompliant in transition planning and documentation of related transition activities. OSEP's September 29, 2005 letter responding to the APR required the State to submit updated data regarding the early childhood transition requirements at 34 CFR §§ 303.148(b)(2)(i) and 303.344(h).</p>	<p>On page 33 of the SPP, the State provided data indicating that for FFY 2004: (1) on Indicator #8A, 100% of children exited Part C with an IFSP that included transition steps and services; and (2) on Indicator #8C, 85% of the children exiting Part C and identified as potentially eligible for Part B had a transition conference.</p>	<p>The State reported data showing full compliance for Indicator #8A in the SPP (transition-related content requirements at 34 CFR §§ 303.148(b)(4) and 303.344(h)). OSEP appreciates the State's efforts in ensuring compliance with this requirement.</p> <p>The State reported an 85% level of documented compliance for Indicator #8C in the SPP, specifically the requirement at 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i).</p>	<p>For Indicator #8A, OSEP looks forward to reviewing data in the APR, due February 1, 2007, demonstrating continuing compliance with the transition related content requirements at 34 CFR §303.344(h).</p> <p>For Indicator #8C, the State must ensure that the noncompliance concerning the transition planning meeting timeline requirements at 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i) is corrected within one year of its identification and include data in the APR, due February 1, 2007, that demonstrate compliance with this requirement. The State should review and, if necessary revise, its improvement strategies included in the SPP to ensure they will enable the State to include data in the APR, that demonstrate full compliance with this requirement. Failure to demonstrate compliance at that time may affect OSEP's determination of the State's status under section 616(d) of the IDEA.</p> <p>See Table A for issues identified in the State Performance Plan relating to Indicator #8B.</p>