

Table B – Maryland Part C  
Previously Identified Issues

Issue	State Submission	OSEP Analysis	Required Action
<b>Early Intervention Services in Natural Environments</b>			
<p><u>SPP Indicator 7</u> – OSEP’s September 22, 2005 FFY 2003 APR response accepted the State’s plan and required MSDE to submit updated data in its SPP and a final report by October 22, 2006 with data demonstrating compliance with the requirement to hold the initial IFSP meeting within 45 days of the referral to Part C, as required by 34 CFR §303.342(a).</p> <p>The State was required to report on the remaining LITPs that did not complete the strategies in their Improvement Plans (IPs).</p>	<p>On pages 49-53 of its FFY 2005 SPP, MSDE reported that 88% of the findings (21 of the 24 LITPs), were corrected as a result of follow-up monitoring activities conducted from December 30, 2004 to June 30, 2005.</p> <p>MSDE reported that the three remaining LITPs were required to develop and implement a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) and were scheduled for a focused monitoring visit.</p>	<p>As noted in Table A, the State reported an 85% level of compliance for Indicator #7 in the SPP, specifically with the requirement at 34 CFR §303.342(a).</p>	<p>The State must ensure that this noncompliance is corrected within one year of its identification and include data in the APR, due February 1, 2007, that demonstrate compliance with this requirement.</p> <p>The State’s final progress report demonstrating compliance with this requirement, which was due October 22, 2006, may be submitted with the State’s FFY 2005 APR on February 1, 2007</p>

<p><b>Early Childhood Transition</b></p> <p><b>SPP Indicator 8C</b> – OSEP’s July 2004 FFY 2002 APR letter required MSDE to submit a final progress report with data demonstrating compliance with the requirement to hold the transition meeting with the approval of the family, at least 90 days before the child’s third birthday as required by 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i). OSEP’s September 22, 2005 FFY 2003 APR required that the data be submitted with the SPP in December 2005.</p>	<p>On pages 49-53 of its FFY 2005 SPP, MSDE reported that 92% of the LITPs demonstrated compliance with this requirement. MSDE reported that 13 of the 14 LITPs were in compliance with this requirement, as a result of follow-up monitoring activities conducted from December 30, 2004 to June 30, 2005. One LITP did not have children transitioning during this reporting period. The one remaining LITP continued to implement strategies in its IP. On pages 52-53 of its FFY 2005 SPP, MSDE identified improvement strategies to ensure compliance.</p>	<p>The State has demonstrated that it has the ability to correct noncompliance when it identifies it under Indicator 8C. However, in providing updated data in the SPP in response to Indicator 8C, the State reported a 68% level of compliance as its baseline data, specifically with the requirement at 34 CFR §303.148(b)(2)(i), for which the State must demonstrate compliance in the APR due February 1, 2007. See Table A Indicator 8C for this analysis..</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing data in the APR, due February 1, 2007, that demonstrate full compliance with this requirement for the three remaining LITPs. In addition, the State must provide the correction data identified under Indicator #8C in Table A.</p>
<p><b>General Supervision</b></p> <p><b>SPP Indicator 9B</b> – OSEP’s July 2005 FFY 2002 APR letter required the State to submit a final progress report with data demonstrating compliance with the requirement that evaluations and assessments are conducted in all five developmental domains, as required by 34 CFR §303.322(c)(3)(ii); and that the initial IFSP includes present level of functioning as required by 34 CFR §303.344(a). OSEP’s September 22, 2005 FFY 2003 APR letter required the final data be submitted in the SPP due December 2, 2005.</p>	<p>In the Addendum to the FFY 2005 SPP, MSDE provided data and analysis that demonstrated a 95% (18 of the 19 LITPs) level of compliance with the requirement to conduct evaluations and assessments in all five developmental domains and provide documentation on the IFSP. MSDE reported that follow-up monitoring activities were conducted from December 30, 2004 to June 30, 2005, to ensure compliance with this requirement.</p>	<p>The State reported a 95% level of compliance for this requirement, specifically the requirements at 34 CFR §§303.322 (c)(3)(ii) and 303.344(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. MSDE identified improvement strategies in the FFY 2005 APR to ensure compliance with this requirement.</p>	<p>OSEP looks forward to reviewing data in Indicator #9B in the FFY 2005 APR, due February 1, 2007, that demonstrate full compliance with this requirement for the one remaining LITP.</p>