

Role and Responsibility of the State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC)

1. Advise and assist the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in the performance of responsibilities as stated in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C Program for infant and toddlers with disabilities:
 - a. Identification of program supports and services
 - b. Promotion of interagency agreements
 - c. Transition of toddlers with disabilities to preschool
 - d. Report annually to the Governor and Secretary of Education on the status of early intervention programs for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families
 - e. Advise other appropriate agencies in the State about the integration of services for infants and toddlers and their families.
2. The SICC serves as the State Redesign Task Force for the Part C Early Intervention Program.

(Article 3, Function of the Council, SICC Bylaws, June 2000)

Purpose of the Part C Program

1. Develop and implement a statewide, comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency program of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.
2. Facilitate the coordination of payment of early intervention services from Federal, State, local and private sources.
3. Enhance Missouri's capacity to provide quality early intervention services and expand and improve existing early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.
4. Enhance the capacity of Missouri with local agencies and service providers to identify, evaluate, and meet the needs of historically underrepresented populations, particularly minority, low-income, inner city, and rural populations.

(Article 2, Purpose of the Part C Program, SICC Bylaws, June 2000)