

2018-19 Part C SPP/APR Summary

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Introduction , page 1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Provides an overview of the First Steps program including, a description of the state's general supervision system, technical assistance system, professional development system, stakeholder involvement and reporting to the public.
1 – Timely Provision of Services , page 6	New services begin within 30 days from parental consent	Annual DESE compliance monitoring	100%	18-19: 96.40% 17-18: 97.30% 16-17: 96.04% 15-16: 97.58%	No	No*	
2 – Services in Natural Environments , page 8	Setting where most services are delivered	First Steps database	97%	Dec. 1, 2018: 99.46% Dec. 1, 2017: 99.39% Dec. 1, 2016: 99.41% Dec. 1, 2015: 99.46%	Yes	No	
3 – Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) , page 9	Child's level of functioning at entry and exit of First Steps	First Steps database					
3A. Positive social emotional skills	A1. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who substantially increased their rate of growth</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		A1: 69.20%	18-19: 90.42% 17-18: 90.28% 16-17: 88.36% 15-16: 87.22%	Yes	No	

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	A2. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who were functioning within age expectations</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		A2: 47.50%	18-19: 18.27% 17-18: 21.26% 16-17: 22.57% 15-16: 25.97%	No	Yes	<p>Target increased from 20% (last year) to 47.50% (this year) due to this being the final year of the current APR cycle. The final target must be higher than the baseline (47.40% in 2009).</p> <p>Missouri had slippage and did not meet targets for Summary Statement 2 in each of the three outcome areas. Results indicate children may make progress while participating in Part C but are not functioning at age expectation by the time they exit. The State believes the decreasing trend in Summary Statement 2 data more accurately reflects the State's eligibility criteria since Missouri has a half-age delay in development (i.e., narrow criteria) and does not serve at-risk children.</p> <p>Additionally, the State believes the decreasing trend in Summary Statement 2 data for Indicator 3 is a reflection of the data quality improvement activities conducted under Indicator 11: State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP).</p>
3B. Acquisition and use of knowledge and skills	B1. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who substantially increased their rate of growth</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		B1: 70.40%	18-19: 91.50% 17-18: 91.53% 16-17: 90.03% 15-16: 88.63%	Yes	No*	

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	B2. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who were functioning within age expectations</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		B2: 45.60%	18-19: 13.89% 17-18: 16.37% 16-17: 17.04% 15-16: 19.18%	No	Yes	Target increased from 20% (last year) to 45.60% (this year) due to this being the final year of the current APR cycle. The final target must be higher than the baseline (47.50% in 2009). See explanation of slippage at Indicator 3, A2.
3C. Use of appropriate behaviors to meet needs	C1. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who substantially increased their rate of growth</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		C1: 73.10%	18-19: 91.21% 17-18: 91.17% 16-17: 90.09% 15-16: 88.73%	Yes	No	
	C2. The percent of infants and toddlers <i>who were functioning within age expectations</i> by the time they turned 3 years of age or exited the program.		C2: 36.20%	18-19: 17.21% 17-18: 20.20% 16-17: 22.66% 15-16: 26.26%	No	Yes	Target increased from 15% (last year) to 36.20% (this year) due to this being the final year of the current APR cycle. The final target must be higher than the baseline (36.10% in 2009). See explanation of slippage at Indicator 3, A2.
4 – Family Involvement , page 15	The number of families participating in First Steps at least one year and responded to the state’s survey.	First Steps Family Survey					Family Survey response rates by survey year: 2019: 19.90% 2018: 16.82% 2017: 11.71% 2016: 14.80%
4A. First Steps helped the family know their rights	Percent of families surveyed who report First Steps services helped the family know their rights		95% will agree or strongly agree with the survey items	18-19: 99.05% 17-18: 99.30% 16-17: 98.53% 15-16: 98.67%	Yes	No*	Family survey results for: Question 6. I know my First Steps parental rights related to my child’s special needs.

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4B. First Steps helped the family communicate their children’s needs	Percent of families surveyed who report First Steps services helped the family effectively communicate their children’s needs		95.70% will agree or strongly agree with the survey items	18-19: 97.03% 17-18: 98.60% 16-17: 96.80% 15-16: 97.22%	Yes	No*	Family survey results for: Question 14. First Steps helps me know who to contact and what to do when I have questions or concerns.
4C. First Steps helped the family help their children develop and learn	Percent of families surveyed who report First Steps services helped the family help their children develop and learn		96.40% will agree or strongly agree with the survey items	18-19: 98.34% 17-18: 98.83% 16-17: 97.60% 15-16: 97.33%	Yes	No*	Family survey results for: Question 11. I am able to help my child learn new skills because of First Steps services.
5 – Child Find Birth to One , page 17	Number of children, birth to age 1, with an IFSP on December 1 of each year.	First Steps database	0.80%	Dec. 1, 2018: 1.35% Dec. 1, 2017: 1.33% Dec. 1, 2016: 1.33% Dec. 1, 2015: 1.26%	Yes	No	
6 – Child Find Birth to Three , page 18	Number of children, birth to age 3, with an IFSP on December 1 of each year.	First Steps database	2.00%	Dec. 1, 2018: 3.16% Dec. 1, 2017: 2.95% Dec. 1, 2016: 2.87% Dec. 1, 2015: 2.64%	Yes	No	
7 – 45-day timeline , page 19	Number of children with an initial IFSP completed within 45-days from referral.	Annual DESE compliance monitoring	100%	18-19: 100% 17-18: 98.28% 16-17: 98.21% 15-16: 98.21%	Yes	No	
8 – Early Childhood Transition , page 21	Required activities to ensure a smooth transition for children approaching age 3.	Annual DESE compliance monitoring					

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8A. Developed an IFSP with transition steps and services within acceptable timelines	Percent of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with <i>an IFSP with transition steps and services developed at least 90 days</i> , and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months prior to the toddler's third birthday.		100%	18-19: 90.00% 17-18: 93.75% 16-17: 92.59% 15-16: 100%	No	Yes	<p>The State did not meet the target of 100% compliance and slippage from the previous year is reported due to three of the ten SPOE regions having noncompliance with this indicator. The noncompliance was a result of Service Coordinators not appropriately documenting the required transition steps and services in the IFSP. In most cases, the required transition steps and services were conducted; however, they were not documented in the IFSP.</p> <p>The State continues to provide ongoing training and technical assistance to all SPOEs on the topic of transition from Part C in addition to ensuring all noncompliance is corrected in a timely manner consistent with OSEP memo 09-02.</p>
8B. Notified SEA and LEA within acceptable timelines, consistent with the State's opt out policy	Percent of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C where notification to state and local school district occurred at least 90 days prior to the child's third birthday for children approaching age three and potentially eligible for Part B of the IDEA.		100%	18-19: 98.53% 17-18: 100% 16-17: 100% 15-16: 100%	No	Yes	<p>The State did not meet the target of 100% compliance and slippage from the previous year is reported due to one of the ten SPOE regions having noncompliance with this indicator. The noncompliance represented an isolated incident where notification to the LEA was delayed for one child.</p> <p>The State continues to provide ongoing training and technical assistance to all SPOEs on the topic of transition from Part C in addition to ensuring all noncompliance is corrected in a timely manner consistent with OSEP memo 09-02.</p>

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8C. Conducted the transition conference within acceptable timelines, with the approval of the family	Percent of toddlers with disabilities exiting Part C with a transition conference with the school district conducted at least 90 days, and at the discretion of all parties, not more than nine months prior to the toddler's third birthday.		100%	18-19: 100% 17-18: 98.75% 16-17: 98.75% 15-16: 100%	Yes	No	
9 – Resolution Sessions , page 30	Percent of due process hearing requests that went to resolution sessions that were resolved through resolution session settlement agreements	Part C dispute resolution system database	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not applicable as Missouri did not adopt Part B due process procedures for Part C. Note: One due process hearing request was filed in 2018-19. Two child complaints were received and completed within the required 60-day timeline.
10 – Mediation , page 31	Percent of mediations held that resulted in mediation agreements	Part C dispute resolution system database	N/A	0 Requests	N/A	N/A	Per OSEP instructions, the State is not required to provide a baseline or targets except in any fiscal year in which ten or more mediations were held.
11 – State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) – draft available February 2020	The State's plan to improve child outcomes, including an analysis of data, infrastructure, measurable result, improvement strategies and theory of action.	ECO Pilot	77.10%	18-19: Pending 17-18: 91.40% 16-17: 91.30% 15-16: 89.50%	Pending	Pending	Results for 2018-19 for this indicator are pending at this time. Results will be reported in the SSIP, which is due to OSEP on April 1, 2020.

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