

## Part C (First Steps) State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) Phases

### Pre-SSIP Initiatives

**2010** – Missouri began statewide implementation of a transdisciplinary approach to delivering early intervention services called **Early Intervention Teams (EITs)**.

**2012** – Missouri began a regional pilot to improve child outcomes called **Early Childhood Outcomes (ECO) Pilot**.

### SSIP

**2013** – Office of Special Education (OSEP) introduced the requirement for a State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP).

**Focus** – A multi-year plan to improve child outcomes through strengthening state infrastructure and implementing evidence-based practices for early intervention services.

### SSIP Phase I

**2015** – Missouri submitted the first SSIP report to OSEP containing five components: data analysis; infrastructure analysis; state-identified measureable result (SiMR); improvement strategies; and a theory of action.

**Focus** – Missouri identified the need to improve the social-emotional skills of children served by EITs in the pilot regions.

### SSIP Phase II

**2016** – Missouri submitted the second SSIP report to OSEP containing three components: infrastructure development; evidence-based practices; and evaluation.

**Focus** – Missouri planned for improvement strategies to support EITs in the pilot regions: identified evidence-based practices; trained professionals on ECO procedures; observed professionals in the field; developed training materials.

### SSIP Phase III

**2017** – Missouri will submit the third SSIP report to OSEP containing three components: data analysis; rationale for revisions to the plan; and stakeholder involvement.

**Focus** – Missouri disseminated training materials to existing pilots and expanded the pilot to two additional regions. Missouri continued work on the improvement strategies outlined in Phase II.

### SSIP Phases IV & V

**2018 & 2019** – To be determined.