



Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia June 2013 Update

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Note about This Update:

This Update is prepared by the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia State Team at the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services as a means of sharing current information from the Part C Office.

Enrollment of Children in the Medicaid Data System (VAMMIS)

Please note the following contact information for questions about enrollment of children in the Medicaid Data System (VAMMIS).

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Early Intervention Certification

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Clarification to Recent Q&A:

The response to one of the questions asked during the IFSP and Practice Manual Revisions webinar and addressed in the Question and Answer document disseminated after that webinar has been revised to be clearer. The question asked whether it was appropriate to put age ranges or “atypical” in Section III of the new IFSP form in circumstances when there might not be a solid age score. We have clarified in the updated response that you would not write just “atypical” in the table in Section III, but you could write an age range and note “atypical” in parentheses after the age range. The revised Q&A document is posted on the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia website at <http://www.infantva.org/documents/QA%20-%20IFSP%20and%20PM%20revisions%20webinar.pdf>.

Note From Phyllis Mondak—DOE

Thank you all for your submissions of data related to the notification to the SEA. I appreciate your efforts to submit this information in a timely manner. I need your assistance in order to ensure that I am able to accurately report this information not only to the Infant & Toddler Connection of Virginia but also OSEP.

Please be sure file name you are uploading is in the following format:

Name of Local System Date Information Submitted to DOE.xlsx

Please include in the description your system name.

Oberkotter Foundation Announces Fall Program Support Grant Cycle

The Oberkotter Foundation fall 2013 Program Support grant cycle will primarily fund projects that increase opportunities for families of children from birth to age 3 to access early intervention services in listening and spoken language. Proposals will be accepted that focus on early intervention, collaborative efforts, transitions into the mainstream and other innovative projects. Applicants should submit a letter of intent between July 1-31, 2013. [More information.](#)

INTEGRATED TRAINING COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

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A NEW LOOK TO THE CSPD UPDATE

Check out our new look for the Integrated Training Collaborative (ITC) portion of the monthly update. Our hope is to streamline the content to provide you with easily accessible, quick to read info about relevant professional development information.

The Integrated Training Collaborative (ITC) coordinates Virginia's Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD) which is the professional development system for early interventionists who provide supports and services to eligible children and families under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

MONTHLY FEATURED TOPIC-COACHING

Have you been hearing lots of buzz about coaching lately? Several regions have recently had coaching training thanks to collaboration and support from the DOE TTACs. We've enjoyed having Drs. Dathan Rush and M'Lisa Shelden sharing their coaching expertise. Consider this quote from them:

"...the role of a practitioner should change from being the primary person responsible for promoting child learning to serving as a coach supporting parents and other caregivers. In this new role, the practitioner works alongside the parent(s) to jointly identify strategies to support child participation and learning as well as to support the adults' identification of, access to, and evaluation of needed resources." (Rush and Shelden 2011)

Check out these resources:

1. http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub_coaching.html
2. http://www.fipp.org/Collateral/caseinpoint/caseinpoint_vol4_no1.pdf
3. http://www.fipp.org/Collateral/briefcase/briefcase_vol1_no2.pdf

KALEIDOSCOPE TRAINING

Kaleidoscope: New Perspectives in Service Coordination, Levels I and II are required professional development trainings for all new service coordinators (although all are invited!) Trainings are held twice per year in cadres (KI and KII occurring in same location, one month apart) so that service coordinators have the opportunity to learn with each other for both Kaleidoscope sessions. Spring Kaleidoscope sessions take place in the Valley region during March (KI)/April (KII). Fall Kaleidoscope sessions are scheduled in the Richmond region during September (KI)/ October (KII).

FALL 2013

KI: September 18 & 19, 2013 at Henrico CSB. Registration will be live soon.

KII: October 30 & 31, 2013 at Henrico CSB. Registration will be live soon.

TRAINING CALENDAR

It's a work in progress but pretty soon this section will link you to our training calendar which will include EI training and other agency/organization professional development opportunities.

http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/training_calendar.html

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WHAT WE ARE CURRENTLY TALKING ABOUT

Are you keeping up with our blog, *Early Intervention Strategies for Success*? Check it out at: <http://veipd.org/earlyintervention/>

FEATURED TOPIC, FEATURED BLOGS

How does are blog tie to our topic of the month? Take a look:

What are your A-Ha Moments from Coaching Training?

<http://veipd.org/earlyintervention/what-are-your-a-ha-moments-from-coaching-training/>

Who is the Focus of Your Visit? - Adult Learning and Early Intervention

<http://veipd.org/earlyintervention/who-is-the-focus-of-your-visit-adult-learning-early-intervention/>

TALKS ON TUESDAYS

Talks on Tuesdays (ToTs) are one-hour webinars designed to provide free online training opportunities related to important topics in early intervention. Topics chosen for the Talks on Tuesdays webinar series are based on feedback from EI practitioners about what they need to know more about! ToTs are held on the **first Tuesday of the month from 12:00-1:00PM.**



“Though we gotta say ‘Good Bye’ for the summer. We’ll see you in September” when ToTs return. Until then, check out our featured webinar about our spotlighted topic.

FEATURED TOPIC, FEATURED WEBINAR

“A Conversation about Coaching”

http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub_2013_talks_tuesdays.html

EXCITING NEW RESOURCES & EVENTS

Want to see the latest and greatest resources and professional development opportunities? Take a look:

CREATING CONNECTIONS TO SHINING STARS

We are thrilled that the registration for CCSS has been wonderful; therefore, it is currently closed. If you wish to be put on the wait list, please contact Krystle Aidif @ aidifkm@vcu.edu

ARCHIVED WEBINAR

July 2013 IFSP and Practice Manual Revisions

http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub_local_sys_mgt.html

ARTICLE/HANDOUT

Agreed Upon Practices for Providing Early Intervention Services in Natural Environments

Workgroup on Principles and Practices in Natural Environments OSEP TA Community of Practice – Part C Settings

The document reflects practices validated through several research, model demonstration and outreach projects whose developers were part of the work group. The practices suggest a flow of activities that need to occur during the IFSP process from first contacts through transition.

http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub_supports_services.html

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