

Memorandum of Understanding

2015-DO-75

**Clark County, Washington
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA – Part C)
Early Support for Infants and Toddlers
Services for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities and their Families**

This Memorandum of Understanding, hereafter referred to as MOU, is made and entered into by and between the collaborating organizations below:

Battle Ground School District
Camas School District
Children's Home Society
Children's Center
Clark County Developmental Disabilities
Clark County Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESD 112)
Clark County Public Health
Clark County Regional Support Network
Columbia River Mental Health
DSHS/Division of Developmental Disabilities
Educational Opportunities for Children and Families – Early Head Start & Head Start
Educational Service District 112 – Early Intervention
Evergreen School District
Hockinson School District
LaCenter School District
Ridgefield School District
Washougal School District
Educational Service District 112 – Child Care Resource & Referral
Educational Service District 112 – Early Head Start
Innovative Services NW Pediatric Therapy Services
Vancouver School District
Washington Elks Therapy Program for Children, Inc
Center for Childhood Deafness & Hearing Loss (CDHL)
Washington School for the Blind

The purpose of this MOU is to set out in general terms the agreed upon cooperative relationship between the collaborating organizations in reference to early intervention services in Clark County, Washington. This agreement will establish a framework upon which representatives of the collaborating organizations cooperatively plan supports and services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays and their families in Clark County, Washington.

The signing parties of this agreement will work to assure that a locally coordinated approach is taken in the planning for:

- Local early intervention services system
- Referral will be made to the ESIT designated Intake Coordinator and/or Family Resources Coordinators at the Local Lead Agency, ESD 112 within two days per federal and state legislation
- Child Find activities; includes screenings, evaluations, assessments
- Compliance with the 45 day timeline (from referral to completed IFSP)
- Participation in the development of Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSP) for children eligible for early intervention services
- Provide year-round services for children receiving early intervention

- Transitions to services at the age of three, including the Transition Plan Meeting, at least 90 days prior to the child's 3rd birthday

As pursuant to IDEA, Early Intervention Section Part C, Washington State Federal Plan children from birth until age three with qualifying developmental delays, and/or vision, hearing, medical conditions that have a high probability of developmental delay qualify for early intervention services. Early intervention services are provided through a variety of funding sources to support the developmental needs of infants and toddlers who are eligible and the needs of the family related to enhancing the child's developmental needs. The Local Lead Agency FRCs will coordinate with families and providers to develop the IFSP under which funding sources will be accessed.

Please check all early intervention services, which may be available through your program, agency, or practice for eligible infants, toddlers and their families. Access to these services will be based on identified needs, individualized service plans, and will include consideration of funding restraints and eligibility requirements.

Early identification screening, evaluation and assessment	Social work services
Assistive technology	Psychological services
Family training, counseling, home visits	Speech language therapy
Health services necessary to enable the infant or toddler to benefit from the other early intervention services	Physical therapy
Medical services only for diagnostic or evaluation purposes	Special instruction
Nursing services	Vision services
Nutrition services	Audiology
Occupational therapy	Other, please describe _____

Family Resources Coordination will be funded through ESIT. Each agency agrees to refer families to a Washington State Registered Family Resources Coordinator. Family Resources Coordination will take place in the manner outlined in the Clark County Early Intervention Plan.

A specific process for dispute resolution is outlined in the Clark County Interagency Coordinating Council bylaws. Each agency will resolve intra-agency disputes within agency. If a dispute arises regarding IDEA, Early Intervention Services or involves the Clark County Interagency Coordinating Council, agencies agree to follow the process outlined in the Clark County Interagency Coordinating Council bylaws.

This MOU describes in general terms the basis upon which the parties intend to collaborate. It does not create binding, enforceable obligations against any Party.

The signed parties have executed this agreement. This agreement will be reviewed annually and revised as mutually agreed to by the following agencies:

Clark County Developmental Disabilities

Educational Services District 112

Signature *Marilyn McClellan*

Signature *Carole Hall*

Title *COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR*

Title *Director EI*

Date *12/2/14*

Date *12/9/14*

APPROVED AS TO FORM

[Signature]
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney