

Definitions

Transition in Part C: Three to 9 months before a child's 3rd birthday, every family will have time with their service coordinator to discuss options for when their child turns 3 years of age and exits TEIS. This is also the time for families to participate in a meeting with their local education agency (LEA) if they are interested in pursuing the possibility of special education services. A meeting with the LEA must take place 90 days before the child's third birthday.

LEA: Local Education Agency
The school system where the child lives.

Our LEA
is:

Questions & Answers About Transition

Q: Do children enter the school system when they leave TEIS at 3 years of age?

A: A child must be eligible for Special Education at age 3 to receive services from their Local Education Agency (LEA). Special Education at age 3 falls under Part B of IDEA.

Q: What is Part B of IDEA?

A: Part B is the section of the Individual's with Disabilities Education

Act which mandates Special Education for eligible children ages 3-21.

Q: Is the eligibility criteria the same for Part B as for Part C?

A: No. Part B has its own eligibility criteria. The LEA representative will discuss this with parents during the transition planning conference.

Q: What if a child is not eligible for Part B?

A: An IFSP meeting is held to discuss possible options within the child's community, such as Head Start, Mother's Day Out, and community based programs.

Q: Is a meeting to discuss a child's transition from Part C (TEIS) required?

A: Parents are highly encouraged to have a transition planning meeting to discuss a smooth and timely move from TEIS. A family may choose not to participate. Their choice will be documented by their service coordinator.

Our
transition
meeting
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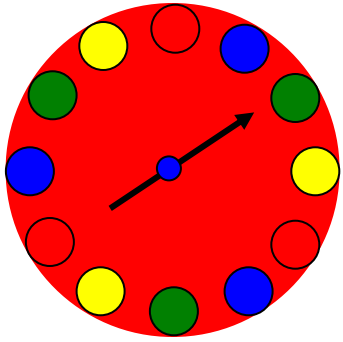


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Parent meets with Service Coordinator for Initial IFSP meeting.

Transition

Because children are no longer eligible for TEIS on their 3rd birthday...

...every IFSP has a transition goal to begin thinking about the future.

9 months - 90 days before 3rd birthday

Parent gives written permission to schedule meeting.

Transition Planning Conference

Goal: A smooth and timely transition for every family.

Parent gives written permission to share information.



Family, LEA and Service Coordinator attend meeting.

Eligibility for Part B is determined by LEA.

IEP Meeting will be held if child is eligible for Part B (LEA).

Transition Conference with LEA by 90 days before 3rd birthday.

IEP: Individualized Education Plan

IEP team must meet and develop ...

...the IEP by child's 3rd birthday.

Some children will receive services from LEA at age 3.

IFSP meeting is held if child is not eligible for Part B (LEA).



Child is no longer eligible for TEIS at age 3. Exit from Part C.