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To: Massachusetts Early Intervention Providers
 Specialty Services Providers
 EHS Transportation Providers

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SUBJECT: Early Intervention Operational Standards (EIOS) Policy Update

Effective immediately, the Early Intervention Division is removing the requirement of Section XI. D.3(a) and clarifying Section XI. D.3(c) of the Early Intervention Operational Standards which state:

“At the time of hire and/or prior to the initiation of any direct contact with families, new staff, regularly scheduled volunteers, and student interns must present to the program director evidence of:

a. A physical examination, including a statement of physical limitations in working with children, completed within one year prior to employment. The physical examination is valid for two years from the examination date and will be repeated every two years thereafter.

Section XI. D.3(c) addresses the requirements related to TB testing:

c. Negative Mantoux TB test or a clear chest x-ray in accordance with current Department of Public Health regulations.”

The Department of Public Health, in response to updated Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance, issued a clinical advisory that addresses recommendations for screening, testing and treatment that does not include routine testing of low-risk individuals.

For current information on screening, testing and treatment (both adult and pediatric), please visit <https://www.mass.gov/clinical-advisory/recommendations-for-tuberculosis-screening-testing-and-treatment-of-us-health-care-personnel>