



Massachusetts Department of Public Health

Early Intervention Division

Services in Natural Environments (Part C Indicator 2) Data Protocol

Federal Regulations (20 U.S.C. 1416(a)(3)(A) and 1442)

Percent of infants and toddlers with Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings.

Measurement

Percent = $\frac{\text{number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs who primarily receive early intervention services in the home or community-based settings}}{\text{total number of infants and toddlers with IFSPs}}$ times 100.

Target Setting

Target setting for Indicator 2 took place during an ICC meeting. The Part C Coordinator presented data on MA-C's performance on indicator 2 for the past five FFYs relative to the targets, answered questions about the data, and then solicited recommendations from the attendees.

Data Source

Early Intervention Client System (EICS)

State Collection and Submission Schedule

Data Collection Period: 7/1-6/30

Data required to be entered in the data system by: 7/14 after the reporting year closes

Data Analysis

Description: Percent of enrollments with IFSPs that primarily receive services in the home or community-based settings. • Time Period: 10/1 • Denominator: All enrollments with an IFSP service plan start date \leq 10/1 and a discharge date of null or $>10/1$; Exclude any child who is ≥ 3 as of 10/1 The denominator should be the same as the numerator for the Early Childhood Birth – 3 count • Numerator: Percent of enrollments that did, and did not receive services in natural environments • Additional Details: Of those who did not receive services in a natural environment, include a count and percent by setting (denominator for this is the total number of children who did not receive services in a natural environment).

Data Quality

Data Quality Reports are distributed monthly to check for major data or system issues.