



Washington State Part C System Improvement Project

November 2010 Update

Preparing Documents for Public Comment

Work in November progressed steadily despite multiple holidays and an early snowfall. Revisions to the draft Individualized Family Service Plan – Process Document (IFSP-PD) were finalized and submitted for review to Washington’s program officer at the Office of Special Education Programs to ensure compliance with federal guidelines. Additionally, a survey was developed to garner public comment. The IFSP-PD public comment period is December 1 through 17.

Procedural safeguards materials were further reviewed and edited based on additional feedback obtained in November. Work continues on arranging for translation of procedural safeguard forms into multiple languages. This work is also informing edits and improvements being made to other existing documents (such as *A Family’s Guide to Early Intervention Services in Washington State*).

A significant portion of system improvement work in November focused on the cost study. A data request for ESIT Local Lead Agencies (LLA) was developed. The data request will both be tested and then released to all LLAs in December. We are eager to be better informed by the data to enable us to speak with clarity to decision makers about true costs and resources involved in early intervention in Washington State.

We continue to build the collaborative efforts of the training and technical assistance cadre. Multiple trainings occurred in November including a newly revised Family Resources Coordinator (FRC) training. This revised training received very positive reviews, due in part to the addition of video clips of local families providing their personal perspective on experiencing early intervention/Part C services in Washington. The cadre also participated in reviewing both the IFSP-PD and several sections of the first module of the online training being developed by our partners in North Carolina.