Preschool/Early Childhood Special Education Educational Environment Quick Guide

Background

According to the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), all states are to report an unduplicated count of all children with disabilities ages 3 through 5 served under IDEA, Part B, by discrete age, year and educational environment.

The reporting categories distinguish between children participating in regular early childhood programs, in special education programs, or in neither a regular early childhood program nor a special education program. In addition, the reporting categories distinguish where children receive the majority of their special education and related services.   (P.L. 108-446, Section 618 (a)(1)(A)(ii), Section 618 (a)(1)(A)(iii), and Section 618 (a)(3); 34 CFR §§300.640, 300.641, 300.642(b), 300.644, 300.645)

How
  - After the 2010 3Win Count, Preschool Educational Environment Data is to be collected by revised OSEP guidelines (see above).
  - Use the Educational Environment Decision Tree or Worksheet to guide decision-making for each child's Educational Environment, data may be stored in district-generated data systems, saved on the IEP, or saved on the provided Michigan Decision Tree for Coding Educational Environments or Worksheet for Coding Educational Environments.
  - All data for 2011 must be entered for the 2011 3Win Collection date (third Wednesday in November).

Questions

For questions on the flowchart, worksheets or instruments, contact Lisa Wasacz, Consultant, at (517) 241-4520 or WasaczL@michigan.gov

For questions regarding MSDS data entry, please e-mail CEPI Customer Support at cepi@michigan.gov. E-mail provides written documentation of your questions/concerns and allows the quickest and most efficient method for providing a response. If e-mail is not an option, you may contact the help desk at (517) 335-0505 and a help ticket will be created for you. In either case, please include your name, district code and district name, the CEPI application name, your telephone number (including area code and extension), e-mail address, and specific question(s).