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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Early On[®] Coordinators and Michigan Interagency Coordinating Council

Members

FROM: Vanessa Winborne, Part C Coordinator

Office of Great Start/Early Childhood Development and Family Education

SUBJECT: Michigan Part C Determination

Michigan Part C has received the 2017 Determination from the federal Office of Special Education Programs. Our determination this year is Meets Requirements.

Several data points used in the calculation of the determinations were similar to previous years:

- Compliance indicator data.
- Information from monitoring.
- Publicly available information, such as Special Conditions on the State's grant award under Part C.
- Any other issues related to State compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

This is the third year that the federal Part C determinations have also included calculations related to child outcomes. The following data points were included in the calculation again this year:

- Data Completeness (the percentage of exiting children with child outcome entry and exit data reported).
- Data Anomalies (statistically significant anomalies in child outcome data).
- Comparison of Michigan's child outcome data to child outcome data of other states
- Comparison of Michigan's Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2015 child outcome data to Michigan's FFY 2014 child outcome data.

Michigan scored perfectly on the data points around compliance indicators, monitoring, publicly available information, and other related State compliance with IDEA. We had no data anomalies, so also scored perfectly on that data point.

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Our data completeness rate decreased slightly this year compared to last year, but the impact on our determination remained the same as last year. We do have room for continued improvement in this area.

The comparison of Michigan's data to the data of other states fell below the 90th percentile on each data point, having some negative impact on the scoring for our determination. Our data would need to fall at or above the 90th percentile on at least three of the six child outcome data points to score perfectly on this comparison.

Comparison of our child outcomes data year-to-year had the strongest positive impact on our improved determination. Our data reflected statistically significant increases on three of the six child outcome data points. The other three child outcome data points reflected slight decreases; however, none of these were statistically significant. These factors resulted in a perfect score on this data point.

We celebrate the attainment of a Meets Requirements determination. We also recognize the need to continue to focus efforts and resources on areas for improvement.

Thank you for your partnership and efforts with Michigan children and their families.