

IDEA

INDIVIDUALS WITH
DISABILITIES
EDUCATION ACT



(A)

PART A OF IDEA

Covers free appropriate public education as well as general accommodations & provisions. Basic outline of the law.

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PART B OF IDEA

Mandates and funds IEP services for individuals between ages 3 and 21. Available for all children with disabilities. Grants money to state schools & programs. Roughly 95% of all IDEA funds.

(C)

PART C OF IDEA

Covers early intervention services from birth to age 3 in NJ. Family-centered support is offered by the Department of Health. Individualized family service plan (IFSP) will be assigned to the family and re-examined before the child starts public school. District will be notified that services may be needed in the future by the Department of Health. Roughly 3.5% of IDEA funding.

(D) PART D OF

IDEA

Federal grants for funding regarding activities that support individuals with disabilities. Less than 2% of all federal IDEA funds.

ELIGIBILITY

Children up to 3 years of age can be eligible for Early Intervention with one of the following present:

- Diagnosed condition that causes delays
- 25% delay in multiple areas or 33% delay in one area

Before turning 3, the child will be evaluated to determine what services are needed when enrolling into public school.

If they are deemed to be unaffected by delays, services are not required to be provided by the school.

Referral to school district should occur 3 months before the child's 3rd birthday by the family's designated service coordinator

INDEPENDENT FAMILY SERVICE PLANS

Individualized Family Service Plans
are provided as part of Early
Intervention

Desired outcomes for the child and
family along with a date for service
initiation.

This plan outlines
areas where the
child may need
assistance. The
family is involved
in making the plan
alongside the
service coordinator
and their desires
for the child are
reflected in the
plan.

Services under age 3 fall under the responsibility of the Department of Health. After age 3 the child will be assessed to determine whether or not services will be provided in the local public school district

AGING OUT OF EARLY INTERVENTION

2 YEARS AND 3 MONTHS

Transition planning meeting should be scheduled and support plan created.

2 YEARS AND 9 MONTHS

Parent will consent to the written transition plan.

2 YEARS AND 11 MONTHS

Exit evaluation is completed and eligibility for pre-k services is determined through your local district.

Some of the services that can be provided under the Individual Family Service Plan include:

- Occupational therapy / physical therapy
- Psychological services
- Service coordination
- Social work services
- Special instruction
- Speech-language pathology
- Transportation and related costs
- Vision services
- Assistive technology
- Audiology
- Family training / counseling
- Health services
- Medical services
- Nursing services
- Nutrition services

[Early Intervention in NJ](#)