

Tri-County Community Council, Inc.
Head Start/Early Head Start

Part: 1302 Program Services

Subpart: F- Additional Services for Children with Disabilities

Section: 1302.62 Additional Services for Parents

Subject: Additional Services for Parent Inclusion

Policy:

To the greatest extent possible, the teaching staff will include children with disabilities in the full range of activities and services normally provided to all Head Start/Early Head Start children by making the necessary modifications to meet the child's special needs.

Procedure:

1. When a child with a disability enters the Head Start/Early Head Start program or an enrolled child is suspected of having a disability, the Family Service Coordinator will consult with the Education/ Disabilities Coordinator, and the Health Coordinator to review the documentation.
2. The Disabilities Coordinator may consult the service provider who is currently working with the child to determine needs and strengths.
3. The Disabilities Coordinator will assist the school district or Early Steps in making any modifications necessary to facilitate ongoing inclusion. Modification may include purchasing adaptive equipment and materials.
4. The Disabilities Coordinator/Disabilities Specialist will make classroom staff aware of the training, information, and resources related to specific disabilities.
5. The Program will facilitate parental involvement and awareness through individual consultation, EHS Individualized Family Service Plan meeting, or Head Start IEP meeting. The program will provide the parents with information regarding community resources.