



October 16, 2025

Dear Secretary McMahon,

These comments are submitted on behalf of the IDEA Infant & Toddler Coordinators Association (ITCA). The ITCA represents states and other jurisdictions implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C for infants and toddlers with and at risk for developmental delays and disabilities and their families.

ITCA appreciates the support for IDEA and the infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families that the Department of Education under the leadership of the President and Secretary Linda McMahon has provided.

We are aware of and are closely following the reduction in force related to OSEP's Research to Practice and Monitoring and State Improvement Planning programs that occurred Friday, October 10, 2025 and its impact on our members. ITCA is committed to providing our members with accurate and confirmed information regarding changes.

While changes in the Department continue, our Part C Lead Agency members are ensuring services and support for infants, toddlers and their families continue.

Our members have raised questions related to their responsibilities under Part C IDEA and the availability of knowledgeable federal staff with the expertise to ensure that these activities will be completed, reviewed and approved in a timely manner.

We would like to call several of these to your attention:

- The required November 2025 submission of the IDEA 618 Data Collections
- The required February 2026 submission of the Annual Performance Report
- The timing, forms and instructions for the FFY26 Part C grant application package which is needed by March 1, 2026 to fulfill the statutory public comment period.

- The need for clarification regarding the federal Differentiated Monitoring and Support (DMS) scheduled visits, remaining federal DMS monitoring reports, and state required report submissions already in progress.

While we await your response, our members will continue to provide high quality early intervention services to eligible children and their families in their state in full compliance with the IDEA statute and regulations.

Thank you for this opportunity to share what we are hearing from our members. As always, ITCA is available and willing to provide any additional information or clarification that may be needed. Feel free to contact us by email at [ideaitca@gmail.com](mailto:ideaitca@gmail.com) if we may be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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