

Family Infant Toddler Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC)



The New Mexico Family Infant Toddler - Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) is required under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Part C. IDEA defines the duties of the ICC as being to:

(A) advise and assist the lead agency in the performance of the responsibilities including the identification of the sources of fiscal and other support for services for early intervention programs, assignment of financial responsibility to the appropriate agency, and the promotion of the interagency agreements;

(B) advise and assist the lead agency in the preparation of applications and amendments thereto;

(C) advise and assist the State educational agency regarding the transition of toddlers with disabilities to preschool and other appropriate services; and

(D) prepare and submit an annual report to the Governor and to the Secretary on the status of early intervention programs for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families operated within the State.

ICC Members are appointed by the Governor of New Mexico to:

- Advise and assist the New Mexico Department of Health in the role of Lead Agency for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part C in New Mexico
- Provide strategic systems level support and guidance to the New Mexico Family Infant Toddler Program

ICC Responsibilities include:

- Maintaining a collaborative relationship with the Department of Health
- Advising and assisting with DOH policies and procedures related to the FIT Program
- Representing the ICC at state and national meetings
- Helping to identify individuals for Governor ICC appointment package
- Helping to ensure a seamless, birth through 5 service system
- Supporting efforts to improve personnel standards
- Assisting with OSEP reporting requirements

- Helping with community-based monitoring system of early intervention providers

ICC Membership:

ICC membership includes parents of children with special needs, early intervention service providers, state agency representatives, representatives of state supported schools, a member of the State legislature, tribal representatives and others

ICC Planning:

Since 1999, the New Mexico Interagency Coordinating Council has utilized a strategic planning process to develop and implement a performance-based three-year strategic plan in accordance with the council's vision and beliefs. For more information on the ICC's strategic plan check out the ICC Vision and beliefs document.

ICC MEETINGS

The ICC meets four times per year to identify system issues, concerns, and trends that may affect the early intervention service system. The ICC Meeting Schedule is developed for the next calendar year every December. The meetings are held in different communities around the state to allow for parents, providers and other interested individuals to attend.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- Attend an ICC meeting
- Join an ICC committee
- Give your ideas/input to an ICC member
- Write or call the ICC coordinator (see below)

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