



Early Childhood Special Education Consortium of State 619 Coordinators

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619 Consortium Accomplishments 2011-2012

1. Continued partnership with Technical Assistance Center for Social-Emotional Development (TACSEI) and represented at the annual National Training Institute sponsored by TACSEI and their Primary Partners
2. Monthly calls with National Association for Directors of Special Education (NASDE), Council for Exceptional Children/Division of Early Childhood (CEC/DEC) and Infant Toddler Coordinator's Association (ITCA).
3. Continued monthly Leadership Team calls.
4. Meeting with the new Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health and Human Services (HHS) and Liaison to Department of Education, Linda Smith on January 11, 2012 to discuss interagency liaisons and mutual interests.
5. Letter to OSEP (thank you) regarding Preschool L.R.E. dear colleague letter dated February 2012.
6. Update to members February 2012.
7. Letter to TACSEI (thank you) for being included as a Primary Partner over the funding period of the Center
8. Attendance and Participation in National Meeting on Reauthorization of the IDEA with national partners: DEC, ITCA, UCEDD, parents - February 2012 in Connecticut.
9. Third full-day 619 Business Meeting at 2012 OSEP Leadership Conference, along with joint meeting with Infant and Toddler Coordinator's Association (ITCA) and Sharon Walsh on Legislative Updates
10. First official elections were held electronically in May 2012.

Don't forget: 619 Consortium Website, hosted by the National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (NECTAC):

<http://nectac.org/sec619/sec619.asp> (Scroll down to find 619 Logo)