



Early Childhood Special Education Consortium of State 619 Coordinators

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619 Consortium Accomplishments 2013-2014

1. Participated in monthly 619 Consortium Leadership Team calls.
2. Participated in monthly calls with National Association for Directors of Special Education (NASDSE), Council for Exceptional Children/Division of Early Childhood (CEC/DEC) and Infant Toddler Coordinator's Association (ITCA).
3. Participated in 2013 DaSy Conference to identify strategies to support new 619 state coordinators.
4. Met with Ruth Ryder, Director of Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) at the May 2014 Inclusion Conference.
5. Participated in Webinar for 619 Leadership Team members and Robin McWilliam, Siskin Center for Child and Family Research with a focus on Classroom-based interventions and Implementation Science.
6. Participated in Quarterly calls with Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EDHI) to complete a survey for 619 Consortium.
7. Provided comments related to children three to five with disabilities for the Preschool Development and Expansion Grant.
8. Participated in national conference calls related to Reauthorization of the IDEA with national partners: DEC, ITCA, UCEDD, parents. The next meeting is scheduled in Connecticut in October, 2014.
9. Participated in fifth full-day 619 Business Meeting at 2014 OSEP Leadership Conference, along with joint meeting with Infant and Toddler Coordinator's Association (ITCA), Early Intervention Family Alliance (EIFA) and Sharon Walsh on Legislative Updates.
10. Electronic confirmation of 619 Leadership Team August 2014.