



2012-2013: Early On Ingham County Annual Report

Early On is a coordinated system of early intervention services mandated by Federal legislation (Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act). It is designed to assist families in accessing and coordinating social, health and educational services that will promote the development of their young child with a disability or developmental delay under age three.

Early On is based on partnerships between families and service providers and on collaboration among community agencies, educational services, organizations, and private practitioners.

An annual grant is allocated to each of Michigan's service areas through the intermediate school districts. The grant is used to support activities in the community to assist families and their young children in accessing the services they need.

The Ingham County Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICCC), as part of the Great Start Collaborative is the advisory group which assists in development and implementation of an annual service area plan to promote and support Early On within Ingham County. The Power of We, upon recommendation of the Great Start Collaborative, approves the proposed grant budget and continuation of the agency partnerships which support and provide services to Early On eligible children and their families.

Some of the focus areas and accomplishments of the 2012-2013 grant cycle (fiscal year) include:

- Continuation of an Early On Playgroup Specialist positions to provide continuity in curriculum and methodology in Play and Learn groups facilitated by Early On, in conjunction with Great Parents, Great Start.
- Continued parent participation in our Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICCC) via the Great Start family Coalition.
- Compliance on all 14 of the IDEA Part C State Performance Plan Indicators, and on the IDEA Part B Early Childhood Indicators.
- Processed 966 referrals and 49 staff provided service to more than 827 children in the 11 month period of July 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013. FTE's from CMH=1.5, ICHD=1.25, IISD=30.4. Of the 827 children 617 (compared to 598 in 2011-12) were eligible under Part C of IDEA and 210 (compared to 284 in 2011-12) were additionally eligible for Michigan special education.
- A year around calendar was implemented for all IISD Early On Staff.
- Implemented MSU's Project IMPACT family coaching curriculum through parent groups and individual coaching for 8 families.

Goals for the 2012-2013 grant cycle (fiscal year) include:

- Continue to increase use of coaching/consultation methodology through implementation of Family Guided Routines Based Intervention.
- Continue implementation AEPS curriculum for infants and toddlers and use for ongoing assessment of child outcomes.
- Implementation of an IFSP only for all children birth to 2.5 years of age, using an electronic IFSP through Illuminate Ed.
- Explore use of a Primary Service Provider model for service delivery.
- Improve transition practices for children transitioning to Early Childhood Special Education.

Note: The Early On grant formula changed for the upcoming fiscal year 2012/2013. The change will result in an approximate reduction of \$155,000.00 from the amount allocated this year. This year's allocation was decreased due to Michigan's allocation being reduced by the Office of Special Education Programs as a result of sequestration.

**Early On Grant Funding Scenarios
Includes Sequestration Impact
2013-2014**

	2012-13		2013-14	
	FTE	Cost	FTE	Cost
Grant Revenue				
Current Year		277,231		254,892
Prior Year Carryover		133,782		0
		411,013		254,892
Grant Expenses				
Ingham County Health Dept				
Public Health Nurse I	0.75	63,144	0.00	0
Public Health Nurse II	0.50	45,393	0.00	0
Unexpended funds		(12,150)		0
	1.25	96,387	0.00	0
Community Mental Health				
Infant Mental Health Specialist	0.50	37,827	0.00	0
Prevention Specialist	1.00	63,812	0.25	16,117
Other (travel, cell phone)		2,237		1,283
	1.50	103,876	0.25	17,400
Ingham ISD				
Playgroup Specialist I (Bernstein)	0.50	41,472	0.50	43,844
Playgroup Specialist II (Yeomans)	0.50	38,158	0.50	39,312
Early Intervention Svs (Hoene)	0.80	70,892	0.80	71,022
Early Intervention Svs (O'Rourke)	0.50	34,963	0.50	35,807
GAP Services		8,000		8,000
Other (paid out of operations for 12-13)		0		
Mileage				5,000
Workshops/Conferences				3,000
Supplies				4,299
Indirect (12-13 at 11.95%)		17,265		27,208
		210,750		237,492
Total Expenses		411,013		254,892
Net Revenue/(Expense)		0		0