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PREFACE

The EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution User Guide is intended to provide assistance to users of the ED Facts Metadata and Process System (EMAPS). This guide demonstrates the steps necessary to enter IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution data and navigate this survey in EMAPS.

This guide will be updated if major system modifications affect user procedures and reviewed annually with each survey release.

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1.0 Introduction

The ED\textit{Facts} Metadata and Process System (\textit{EMAPS}) is a Web-based tool used to provide State Lead Agencies with an easy method of reporting and maintaining (1) data to meet Federal reporting requirements, and (2) information on state policies, plans, and metadata in order to aid in the analysis of data collected.

1.1 Technological Requirements

The APR tool will work in all browsers, but Chrome is recommended for the best performance.

\textit{NOTE!} \textit{EMAPS} is unavailable from late Sunday nights until 2:00 a.m. ET Monday mornings for regularly scheduled maintenance.
2.0 Overview

This survey has been developed to collect data under Section 618 of IDEA, Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This information is entered by the IDEA Part C Data Managers. The survey provides information on the following and is organized to provide the counts for the number of occurrences in the following sections:

- **Written, signed complaints**, which are defined as a signed, written document submitted to a lead agency by an individual or organization (complainant) that alleges a violation of a requirement of Part C of IDEA of 34 CFR Part 303, including cases in which some required content is absent from the document.

- **Mediation requests**, which are defined as a request by a party to a dispute involving any matter under Part C of IDEA, for the parties to meet with a qualified and impartial mediator to resolve the dispute(s).

- **Due process complaints**, which are defined as a filing by a parent or early intervention service provider or lead agency to initiate an impartial due process hearing on matters relating to the identification, evaluation, or placement of an infant or toddler with a disability (IDEA), or to the provision of appropriate early intervention services to the child.

This report shall be run for 50 states plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and outlying areas American Samoa, Guam, and Northern Marianas.

2.1 Frequently Asked Questions

The following is a list of frequently asked questions regarding this EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey process. Additional questions about how the process works or suggestions for enhancements to the process should be directed to the Partner Support Center at EDEN_SS@ED.GOV.

**What is the primary use of this information?**

The IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey provides the U.S. Department of Education (ED) information on the counts of occurrences for the following:

- Written, signed complaints
- Mediation Requests
- Due process complaints

The data collected using this survey is required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 618.

The data will be used as responses in Table 4, *Report of Dispute Resolution Under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.*
The data are also used for monitoring the programs and activities under IDEA and reported in the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP)’s Annual Report to Congress on the Implementation of IDEA, public reporting of the IDEA Section 618 data, OSEP State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR), and ad hoc requests.

**Who may have access to my state’s IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey?**

Each state’s IDEA Part C Data Manager has been granted read/write access to the E\textit{MAPS} online survey. Other users will be granted access at the request of the state.

If the IDEA Part C Data Manager wishes to authorize another user to complete this survey, please contact the Partner Support Center (PSC), and provide the name and e-mail address of the user(s) that will be added.

Phone: (877) 457-3336  
Email: \texttt{EDEN\_SS@ed.gov}

Federal Relay Service: 800-877-0996 (Voice/TTY) /Federal \texttt{relay@sprint.com}

The PSC is open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays.

**Will the system send any notifications?**

\textit{EMAPS} will send notifications to IDEA Part C Data Managers at the following times:

- When the system is open.
- When data have been submitted.
- When there has been no account activity, notifications will be sent two weeks and three days prior to the due date.
- When data have been entered, but not submitted three days prior to the due date.
- If there are data with edit check warnings in the submissions three days prior to the due date.

Additionally, when the system is reopened for data resubmission, notifications will be sent:

- When there is a data quality inquiry.
- When the system has been reopened.
- When there was a data quality inquiry and updated data has not been submitted one week prior to close of the reopen period.
- One week prior to the close of the reopen period.
When are the data due?

The system will open October 7, 2019, and the completed survey is due no later than 11:59 p.m. ET, November 6, 2019.

There will be a reopen period for data resubmissions between May 4, 2020, and May 27, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. ET. States will receive notification from OSEP of follow-up needed via email after the due date and prior to May 4, 2020.

Do not submit preliminary or placeholder data just to meet the submission deadline. The submission of the survey responses will be assessed by OSEP for timeliness, completeness, and accuracy. Data submissions with missing data elements are rated by OSEP as incomplete.

The review of data for accountability purposes will be based on data in the EMAPS system as of 11:59 p.m. ET on the due date.

What states are required to submit the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey via EMAPS for SY 2018-19?

For SY 2018-19, the Part C Dispute Resolution Survey will be submitted by:

50 states plus the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, and outlying areas American Samoa, Guam, and Northern Marianas.

What reporting year will this data collection cover?

The IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey should cover an entire year of counts. For the SY 2018-19 data collection (that is due no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on November 6, 2019), the reporting year is defined as July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

NOTE! Only report the actions initiated during the 2018-19 reporting year. Do NOT include actions initiated in a previous reporting year that continued into the 2018-19 reporting year.

When are zero counts permitted in this survey?

A zero count should be used only if the state conducted a count for that data element and there were no occurrences to report in the specific category for the given reporting period. Zero is the default value which appears when a submitter first enters the Data Entry Form.

When should I report Missing?

Report a count as Missing when the State did not or cannot report a count for the specific category. To designate data as missing, select Missing. If a zero is entered after checking the Missing box, the system will accept this, as well.
Will I have access to the survey after I have submitted data to the database?

Yes. The survey will be accessible until November 6, 2019. After the due date, the survey report may be reviewed but may NOT be modified until the re-open period (May 4 through May 27, 2020).

During the open periods, IDEA Part C Data Managers will be able to override any previously submitted versions of their state survey by entering the survey process and submitting the survey again. There are no limits to the number of times this survey can be submitted. A history of all submitted versions will be archived in the IDEA Part C Reports folder.

**NOTE!** ED will use only the latest submitted version of the survey on the due date for reporting purposes.

When can I revise my state’s survey after the due date?

The data in the survey can be modified during the re-open period between May 4 and May 27, 2020. States will receive notification from OSEP of follow up needed via email after the due date and prior to May 4, 2020.

The last version of the survey submitted by the IDEA Part C Data Manager as of 11:59 p.m. ET on the original due date will be the version ED will use to review the data for accountability purposes. Data publicly reported and used by OSEP will be the last submission as of the close of the system on May 27, 2020 (formerly known as the **freeze date**). Draft versions will not appear in the IDEA Part C Reports folder.

Should written settlement agreements finalized after a resolution meeting but during the 30-day resolution period be reported in Section C: Due Process Complaints 3.1(a) – written settlement agreements reached through resolution meetings?

Yes, states should include all written settlement agreements reached through resolution meetings during the 30-day resolution period in **Section C: Due Process Complaints 3.1(a)**. This includes written settlements finalized during a resolution meeting, as well as those finalized after the meeting, as long as they are finalized during the 30-day resolution period.
3.0 Accessing EMAPS

To access the EMAPS login screen, go to https://emaps.ed.gov.

1. A Department of Education-approved warning banner will appear. Accept the terms of the consent to monitoring before accessing the application (see fig. 3.1).

![Figure 3.1 – Department of Education approved warning banner](image1)

Enter the assigned EMAPS username and password into the appropriate fields (see fig. 3.2). If experiencing issues logging into EMAPS, please contact PSC (FAQ Section, 2.1). Both the EMAPS username and password are case sensitive.

![Figure 3.2 – EMAPS Login Screen](image2)
To log out of EMAPS, first select the Profile Icon in the top right hand corner and select Sign Out (see fig. 3.3).

Figure 3.3 – EMAPS Logout screen
4.0 Accessing the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey

Once logged in, users will land on the ED Facts Portal Page which contains a list of all available surveys. The link to the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey will be located under the IDEA Part C heading.

To navigate to the Survey, click the Dispute Resolution link.

**NOTE!** EMAPS Surveys will open in a new tab in the browser. The ED Facts Portal Page will remain available in its own tab within the browsers.

4.1 IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Start Page

Select the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution [state's name] SY 2018-19 link to enter the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey (see fig. 4.2).
The system will redirect to the **Summary** tab of the survey (see fig. 4.3) where the following will be available:

a. Information about the survey;
b. Instructions for completing the survey; and
c. Survey User Guide.

To return to the **EDFacts** Portal at any time, choose **EDFacts Portal** from the dropdown menu in the top right corner (see fig.4.4).
NOTE! A warning is generated by the system after 30 minutes of inactivity. To avoid losing data, click within the EMAPS survey form, or select Continue when the inactivity warning message is displayed.
5.0 Completing the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey

The survey Dashboard contains tabs for each section of the survey. The IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Dashboard contains the following tabs (see fig. 5.1):

- **Summary**: Provides a summary of the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey, instructions for completing the survey, and a link to the *EMAPS IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey User Guide*.

- **Data Entry**: This section allows users to input data directly into the form and save a draft version of the survey.

- **Review and Submit**: This form is where IDEA Part C Data Managers review the warnings and edit checks or submit the survey to the database.

- **State Reports**: Review the HTML reports for each Part C Dispute Resolution Survey submitted by the state for each year the survey has been in *EMAPS*.

- **Related Actions**: This tab contains Update Data and Verify Data links. Once the survey has been Saved as Draft, users may select the Update Data link to edit the survey or select the Verify Data link to review the edit checks and submit the survey to the database.

5.1 Data Entry

To begin submitting the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Survey, select the Data Entry tab. The Data Entry form will consist of three sections:

- Section A: Written, Signed Complaints
- Section B: Mediation Requests
- Section C: Due Process Complaints
The questions will first display in view-only mode. To enter responses, follow these instructions:

1. Select the **UPDATE DATA** button to manually enter the data (see fig. 5.2).

![Figure 5.2– Data Entry tab - Update Data](image)

2. Data entry fields will display to allow manual counts or comments to be entered (see fig. 5.3). An asterisk will appear above the required fields.

   a) When entering counts for the survey, complete each section by entering a numeric integer value for each of the data fields provided.
   b) Zeros will appear as the default values in the survey data fields.
   c) Zero counts should be entered only if a state conducted a count for that data element, and there were no occurrences to report in the specific category for the given reporting period.
   d) Check the missing box to report a count as **Missing**.
   e) Report a count as **Missing** when the State did not or cannot report a count for the specific category.
   f) The survey data fields accept only an integer value.

![Figure 5.3 – Data Entry Fields Enabled](image)

3. At the bottom of each page, an optional comment box is available (up to 4,000 characters). Once all data have been entered, warnings have been reviewed, and data are ready to be saved, select **SAVE AS DRAFT** (see fig. 5.4)
When you click the **Save As Draft** button if no error messages are generated, the responses you entered will be saved and the page becomes a read-only review.

**NOTE!** Data entered cannot be saved until all errors are resolved. If the **Data Entry Form** is closed without selecting **Save as Draft**, data entered will not be saved.

**NOTE!** If a user exits the survey without selecting the **Save as Draft** button, data will not save and the **EMAPS** survey session will end. If fatal errors exist in the form, the data will not save.

5.1.1 **Section A: Written, Signed Complaints**

Row (1) (see fig. 5.5) displays the total number of written, signed complaints filed between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019. The value is auto calculated for this section: Row (1) = (1.1)+(1.2)+(1.3).
In row (1.1), enter how many of the written, signed complaints (row (1)) were complaints with reports issued as of 60 days following the end of the reporting period; that is, enter how many of the complaints had a written decision from the lead agency as of August 29, 2019. Row (1.1) is a subset of row (1).

In row (1.1) (a), enter how many of the reports issued were reports with findings of noncompliance. Row (1.1) (a) is a subset of row (1.1).

**NOTE!** The difference between the number entered in row (1.1) and the number entered in (1.1) (a) is the number of reports without findings of noncompliance.

In row (1.1) (b), enter how many of the reports issued were reports within timelines (60 days). Do NOT include any written decisions issued more than 60 days after the written, signed complaint was filed. Row (1.1) (b) is a subset of row (1.1).

In row (1.1) (c), enter how many of the reports issued were reports within extended timelines. Row (1.1) (c) is a subset of row (1.1).

**NOTE!** The difference between the number in row (1.1) and the sum of the numbers entered in rows (1.1) (b) and (1.1) (c) is the number of complaints with reports issued late (not within the 60-day timeline or an extended timeline).

In row (1.2), enter how many of the written, signed complaints (row (1)) were complaints pending as of August 29, 2019 (60 days following the end of the reporting period). Row (1.2) is a subset of row (1).

In row (1.2) (a), enter how many of the pending complaints were complaints pending a due process hearing. Row (1.2) (a) is a subset of row (1.2).

**NOTE!** The difference between the number in row (1.2) and the number in row (1.2) (a) is the number of complaints pending for reasons other than pending a due process hearing.

In row (1.3), enter how many of the written, signed complaints (row 1) were complaints withdrawn or dismissed as of August 29, 2019 (60 days following the end of the reporting period). Row (1.3) is a subset of row (1).

**5.1.2 Section B: Mediation Requests**

Row (2) (see fig. 5.6) displays the total number of mediation requests received between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019. The value is calculated for this section:

Row (2) = (2.1)+(2.2)+(2.3).
NOTE! The sum of (2.1), (2.2), and (2.3) is equal to the total number of mediations requested (row 2).

In row (2.1), enter how many of the mediation requests (row (2)) resulted in mediations held as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (2.1) is a subset of row (2).

In row (2.1) (a), enter how many of the mediations held were mediations related to due process complaints. Row (2.1) (a) is a subset of row (2.1).

In row (2.1) (a) (i), enter how many of the mediations held related to due process complaints resulted in mediation agreements as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (2.1) (a) (i) is a subset of row (2.1) (a).

NOTE! The difference between the number entered in row (2.1) (a) and the number entered in row (2.1) (a) (i) is the number of mediations held related to due process complaints that did not result in a mediation agreement.

In row (2.1) (b), enter how many of the mediations held were mediations not related to due process complaints. Row (2.1) (b) is a subset of row (2.1).

In row (2.1) (b) (i), enter how many of the mediations held not related to due process complaints resulted in mediation agreements as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (2.1) (b) (i) is a subset of row (2.1) (b).

NOTE! The difference between the number entered in row (2.1) (b) and the number entered in row (2.1) (b) (i) is the number of mediations held not related to due process complaints that did not result in a mediation agreement.
**NOTE!** The sum of (2.1) (a) and (2.1) (b) must equal the total number of mediations held (row (2.1)).

In row (2.2), enter how many of the mediation requests (row (2)) were mediations pending as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (2.2) is a subset of row (2).

In row (2.3), enter how many of the mediation requests (row (2)) were mediations not held as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (2.3) is a subset of row (2).

### 5.1.3 Section C: Due Process Complaints

In **Section C: Due Process Complaints**, select the radio button to indicate whether the state has adopted **Part C due process hearing procedures** under 34 CFR 303.430(d)(1) or **Part B due process hearing procedures** under 34 CFR 303.430(d)(2).

**NOTE!** If the radio button indicating which type of due process hearing procedures the state has adopted is not selected, data will not be submitted to the database.

When **Part B due process hearing procedures** has been selected, or when first entering the form, the following set of questions will appear (see fig. 5.7).

![Figure 5.7 - Section C: Due Process Complaints](image-url)
Questions (3.1) and (3.1) (a) are required if the state has adopted Part B due process hearing procedures.

After answering the question concerning due process hearing procedures, states only need to answer questions (3.1) and (3.1) (a) if they have adopted the Part B due process hearing procedures (see fig. 5.7).

In row (3.1), enter how many of the due process complaints (row (3)) resulted in a resolution meeting as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019) if the state has adopted Part B due process hearing procedures. Row (3.1) is a subset of row (3).

In row (3.1) (a), enter how many resolution meetings resulted in a written settlement agreement as of the end of the reporting period, if the state has adopted the Part B due process hearing procedures. Row (3.1)(a) is a subset of rows (3.1) and (3.4).

**NOTE!** The difference between the number entered in row (3.1) and the number entered in row (3.1) (a) is the number of resolution meetings held that did not result in a written settlement agreement as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019).

When **Part C due process hearing procedures** has been selected, the following set of questions will appear (see fig. 5.8).

### Section C: Due Process Complaints

1. Total number of due process complaints filed.
   - Part C due process hearing procedures
   - Part B due process hearing procedures

2. Hearings fully adjudicated.

3. Decisions within timeline.
   - (3.2) (a) Decisions within timeline.
   - (3.2) (b) Decisions within extended timeline.

4. Hearings pending.
   - (3.3) Hearings pending.

5. Due process complaints withdrawn or dismissed (including resolved without a hearing).

### Figure 5.8- Part C due process hearing procedures

Row (3) displays the total number of due process complaints filed between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019. This value is auto calculated: Row (3) = (3.2)+ (3.3)+(3.4).
In row (3.2), enter how many of the due process complaints (row (3)) resulted in hearings fully adjudicated as of the end of the reporting period; that is, the due process hearing was conducted, and the hearing officer issued a written decision by June 30, 2019. Row (3.2) is a subset of row (3).

**NOTE!** For row (3.2) (a) states must apply one timeline for written decisions for due process complaints; this timeline is a 30-day timeline under 34 CFR §303.437(b) if the State has adopted Part C due process hearing procedures under 34 CFR §303.430(d)(1), OR a 30- or 45-day timeline under 34 CFR §303.447(a) if the state has adopted the Part C due process hearing procedures under 34 CFR §303.430(d)(2).

In row (3.2) (a), enter how many of the written decisions were decisions within the timeline. Do not include the decisions within extended timelines. Row (3.2) (a) is a subset of row (3.2).

In row (3.2) (b), enter how many of the written decisions included in row (3.2) were decisions within appropriately extended timelines. The decisions must be within the specific time extension granted by the hearing or reviewing officer. Row (3.2) (b) is a subset of row (3.2).

**NOTE!** The difference between the number in row (3.2) and the sum of the numbers in rows (3.2) (a) and (3.2) (b) is equal to the number of decisions issued beyond the relevant timeline.

In row (3.3), enter how many of the due process complaints (row (3)) were hearings pending as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (3.3) is a subset of row (3).

In row (3.4), enter how many of the due process complaints (row (3)) were withdrawn or dismissed (including resolved without a hearing) as of the end of the reporting period (June 30, 2019). Row (3.4) is a subset of row (3).

### 5.1.4 Comment Box

Provide additional information supplementing the questions asked in the survey by utilizing the **Comment box** (see fig. 5.9) located at the bottom of the **Data Entry** form. Any other pertinent data notes may also be included. Please note this comment box has a 4000-character limit. If a count is submitted as **Missing**, a detailed explanation should be provided in the comment box.

**NOTE!** Do not copy and paste into the comment box. Special hidden characters could potentially cause problems with the database (ex. bullets).
5.2 Saving Data as a Draft

To exit the survey and continue work on it later, save a draft version by selecting the Save as Draft button (see fig. 5.10). Once the data are saved, the dashboard will be shown.

Saving data as a draft will save the content entered on the form but will not generate the final reports. HTML and Year-to-Year Comparison reports will only be generated after the survey has been submitted to the database from the Review and Submit form. If the EMAPS survey window is closed without first saving a draft version, information will not be saved.

**NOTE!** A warning is generated by the system after 30 minutes of inactivity (see fig. 6.9). To avoid losing data, click within the EMAPS survey form.

5.3 Fatal Errors on Data Entry Form

A fatal error will display in the Data Entry form when an unacceptable variable has been entered in a data field. If a fatal error occurs on the Data Entry form, a draft version cannot be saved.

Errors may include the following (see fig. 5.11):

- **Missing** is selected when a value has been provided
- A field is left blank
• The value is not an integer
• A negative number is submitted

![Figure 5.11 - Fatal Errors](image)

If there are errors on the screen, and the **Save as Draft** button is selected, an error message will appear and data will not save (see fig 5.12).

![Figure 5.12 - Errors/Warnings detected](image)
6.0 Review and Submit Form

Save the survey to the database and complete the submission process by selecting the Review and Submit tab. Once the survey has been submitted to the database, an HTML report and a Year-to-Year Comparison report containing the survey results will be auto-generated and available to the state IDEA Part C Data Manager. ED will also have access to the state’s survey responses once the survey has been submitted to the database.

If the survey browser window is closed, the data will not save and the EMAPS survey session will end.

To complete the survey and submit the data to ED, select the Submit Data button.

6.1 Reviewing and Editing the Survey

If submitted data fails edit checks, the following warning message is displayed at the bottom of the Review and Submit form with a list of all failed edit check logic in red font (see fig. 6.1): Please note that the data entered result in the following relationships which violate edit checks:...

Part C Dispute Resolution Edit Checks:

- Question 1.1.a shall be ≤ Question 1.1
- Questions 1.1.b + 1.1.c shall be ≤ Question 1.1
- Question 1.2.a shall be ≤ Question 1.2
- Questions 2.1.a + 2.1.b shall be = Question 2.1
- Question 2.1.a.i shall be ≤ Question 2.1.a
- Question 2.1.b.i shall be ≤ Question 2.1.b
- Question 3.1 shall be ≤ Question 3.
- Question 3.1.a shall be ≤ Question 3.1
- Question 3.1.a shall be ≤ Question 3.4
- Questions 3.2.a + 3.2.b shall be ≤ Question 3.2
- Question - Has your state adopted Part C due process hearing procedures under 34 CFR 303.430(d)(1) or Part B due process hearing procedures under 34 CFR 303.430(d)(2)? cannot be left blank

If the error for due process hearing procedures has been triggered, go to the Data Entry page. The only way to trigger this error on the Review and Submit form is to bypass the data entry page within the survey.

NOTE! If the radio button indicating which type of due process hearing procedures your state has adopted is not selected, data will not be submitted to the database.
Please note that the data entered result in the following relationships which violate edit checks: 2.1.a.1 > 2.1.a, (2.1.a + 2.1.b) <= 2.1
Please provide information to address edit checks violated above.

Figure 6.1 - Edit Check warning

To make any changes to the survey, select the **Data Entry** tab and select the **Update Data** button to make changes. When the updates are complete, save the survey as a new draft and return to the **Review and Submit** tab to submit to the database.

**NOTE!** If the form must be submitted with any edit check warnings present, use the comment box located at the bottom of the **Review and Submit** tab to enter a comment explaining why the data are being submitted with edit check warnings.

If the data pass the edit checks, the following message will be displayed: **There are no edit check warnings.** (see fig. 6.2).

Figure 6.2 - No edit check warning

### 6.2 Submitting Data to Database

Select the **Review and Submit** tab to submit the survey. The survey will first display in view-only mode. To submit responses, follow these instructions:

Select the **VERIFY DATA** button in the top right corner of the **Review and Submit** tab (see fig. 6.3).

**NOTE!** The **VERIFY DATA** button only appears once a draft has successfully been saved.

![Verify Data Button](image)
When the **Verify Data** button has been selected, the **Submit** button will appear at the bottom right corner of the page. When the **Submit** button is selected, the system will save all survey responses to the database (see fig. 6.4).

![Submit Button](image)

Figure 6.4 - Submit Button

After the data are submitted to the database, an HTML report and a Year-to-Year Comparison report will auto-generate and be posted to the IDEA Part C Reports Folder located on the EMAPS Home page (see section 8 for additional information on reports). A confirmation email will be sent after the data have been submitted to the database. IDEA Data Managers will have access to their reports for the survey in EMAPS.
7.0 Accessing IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution HTML and Year-to-Year Comparison Reports

A Year-to-Year Comparison report will be posted to the IDEA Part C Dispute Resolution Reports folder. The .csv report will display data from the prior years so that changes may be tracked.

**NOTE!** The HTML and Year-to-Year Comparison reports will generate each time the data are submitted to the database. Select the State Reports tab to access these reports (see fig. 7.1). If multiple surveys are submitted, reference the time/date stamp to locate the most recent submission. The most recent submission will be the survey that was last submitted to the database and the collection ED will use for analysis.

After selecting a report, the HTML report will appear (see fig. 7.2).

**NOTE!** This report can be saved to a desktop (follow the browser prompts) or printed as a hard copy.
The edit checks that were violated by the data submitted will be displayed on the HTML survey report, located under the comment box (see fig. 7.3). These edits will appear just as they do in the Review and Submit form; only the edits on the HTML reports will not be displayed in red text.

![Image](image.png)

Figure 7.3 - Edit Check in HTML Report

To remove the edit checks from displaying in the HTML report, correct the edits in the Data Entry tab. Resubmit the survey through the Review and Submit tab to override the previous submission.

The Year-to-Year Comparison Report will open in Excel and may be used to compare data from past years (see fig. 7.4). Each time a version of the survey is submitted, a new version of this report will generate. Take care to open the correct report by referencing the time/date stamp.

![Image](image.png)

Figure 7.4 – Year-to-Year Comparison Report in Excel
8.0 Glossary of Data Elements

Complaint pending – A written, signed complaint that is either still under investigation or the lead agency’s written decision has not been issued.

Complaint pending a due process hearing – A written, signed complaint in which one or more of the allegations in the complaint are the subject of a due process complaint that has not been resolved.

Complaint with report issued – A written decision was provided by the lead agency to the complainant regarding alleged violations of a requirement of Part C of IDEA.

Complaint withdrawn or dismissed – A written, signed complaint that was withdrawn by the complainant for any reason, or that was determined by the lead agency to be resolved by the complainant and the early intervention service provider or lead agency through mediation, or other dispute resolution means, and no further action by the lead agency was required to resolve the complaint; or a complaint dismissed by the lead agency for any reason, including that the complaint does not include all of the required content.

Decision within extended timeline – For States using the Part C due process hearing procedures, the written decision from a hearing fully adjudicated was provided to the parties in the hearing more than 30 days after the receipt of the due process complaint, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing officer at the request of either party. For States using the Part B due process hearing procedures, a decision within the extended timeline is the written decision (from a hearing fully adjudicated) provided to the parties in the hearing more than 30 or 45 days (whichever hearing timeline the State has adopted under 34 CFR §303.447(a)) after the expiration of the resolution period, but within a specific time extension granted by the hearing or reviewing officer at the request of either party.

Decision within timeline – For States using the Part C due process hearing procedures, the written decision from a hearing fully adjudicated was provided to the parties in the due process hearing not later than 30 days after the receipt of the due process complaint. For States using the Part B due process hearing procedures, a decision within the timeline is the written decision (from a fully adjudicated hearing) provided to the parties in the hearing not later than 30 days or 45 days (whichever hearing timeline the State has adopted under 34 CFR §303.447(a)) after the expiration of the resolution period.

Due process complaint – A filing by a parent, early intervention service provider, or lead agency to initiate an impartial due process hearing on matters relating to the identification, evaluation, or placement of an infant or toddler with a disability, or to the provision of appropriate early intervention services to such child.

Due process complaints withdrawn or dismissed – A due process complaint that has not resulted in a fully adjudicated due process hearing and is also not under consideration by a hearing officer. This includes due process complaints resolved through a mediation agreement or through a written settlement agreement, those settled
by some other agreement between the parties (parent and early intervention service provider or lead agency) prior to completion of the due process hearing, those withdrawn by the filing party, those determined by the hearing officer to be insufficient or without cause, and those not fully adjudicated for other reasons.

**Hearing fully adjudicated** – A hearing officer conducted a due process hearing, reached a final decision regarding matters of law and fact, and issued a written decision to the parties.

**Hearing pending** – A request for a due process hearing that has not yet been scheduled, is scheduled but has not yet been conducted, or has been conducted but is not yet fully adjudicated. (See definition for hearing fully adjudicated.)

**Mediation agreement** – A written legally binding agreement signed by a parent and a representative of the lead agency who has authority to bind the lead agency, that specifies the resolution of any issues in the dispute that were reached through the mediation process. A mediation agreement that fully or partially resolves issues in dispute is included in “mediation agreements.”

**Mediation held** – A process conducted by a qualified and impartial mediator to resolve a disagreement between parties to a dispute, involving any matter under Part C of IDEA and that concluded with or without a written mediation agreement between the parties.

**Mediation held not related to due process complaint** – A process conducted by a qualified and impartial mediator to resolve a disagreement between parties to a dispute, involving any matter under Part C of IDEA that was not initiated by the filing of a due process complaint or did not include issues that were the subject of a due process complaint.

**Mediation held related to due process complaint** – A process conducted by a qualified and impartial mediator to resolve a disagreement between parties that was initiated by the filing of a due process complaint or included issues that were the subject of a due process complaint.

**Mediation not held** – A request for mediation that did not result in a mediation being conducted by a qualified and impartial mediator. This includes requests that were withdrawn, requests that were dismissed, requests where one party refused to mediate, and requests that were settled by some agreement other than a mediation agreement between the parties.

**Mediation pending** – A request for mediation that has not yet been scheduled or is scheduled but has not yet been held.

**Mediation request** – A request by a party to a dispute involving any matter under Part C of IDEA for the parties to meet with a qualified and impartial mediator to resolve the dispute(s).

**Report with findings of noncompliance** – The written decision provided by the lead agency to the complainant in response to a written, signed complaint, which finds the early intervention service provider or lead agency to be out of compliance with one or more requirements of Part C of IDEA or 34 CFR Part 303.
Report within extended timeline – The written decision from the lead agency was provided to the complainant more than 60 days after the written, signed complaint was filed, but within an appropriately extended timeline. An appropriately extended timeline is an extension beyond 60 days that was granted due to exceptional circumstances that exist with respect to a particular complaint; or if the parent and the lead agency, public agency or early intervention service provider involved agreed to extend the time to engage in mediation, or to engage in other alternative means of dispute resolution, if available in the State or under State procedures.

Report within timeline – The written decision from the lead agency to the complainant was provided not later than 60 days after receiving the written, signed complaint.

Resolution meeting – For States that have adopted Part B due process hearing procedures, a meeting, convened by the local provider or lead agency, between the parent and the relevant member(s) of the IFSP Team to discuss the parent’s due process complaint and the facts that form the basis of the due process complaint, so that the lead agency has the opportunity to resolve the dispute that is the basis for the due process complaint.

Resolution period – For States that have adopted Part B due process hearing procedures, 30 days from the receipt of a due process complaint unless the period is adjusted because: (1) both parties agree in writing to waive the resolution meeting; or (2) after either the mediation or resolution meeting starts, but before the end of the 30-day period, the parties agree in writing that no agreement is possible; or (3) if both parties agree in writing to continue the mediation at the end of the 30-day resolution period, but later, the parent or local provider or lead agency withdraws from the mediation process.

Written settlement agreement – A legally binding written document, signed by the parent and a representative of the lead agency who has authority to bind the lead agency, specifying the resolution of the dispute that formed the basis for a due process complaint arrived at in a resolution meeting. For the purposes of reporting on Table 4, a written settlement agreement is one that fully resolves all issues of the due process complaint and negates the need for a due process hearing.

Written, signed complaint – A signed, written document submitted to a lead agency by an individual or organization (complainant) that alleges a violation of a requirement of Part C of IDEA or 34 CFR 303, including cases in which some required content is absent from the document.
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