

July 2, 2002

Honorable Jane Kitchel
Secretary
Agency of Human Services
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-0204

Dear Secretary Kitchel:

We have determined that Vermont's application for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 funds, under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Part C), can be approved. Therefore, I am enclosing your State's Part C grant award.

The approval is based upon our receipt of your assurances for FY 2002. This includes the assurance from the Department of Human Services that the statewide system of early intervention services required by Part C and its implementing regulations is in effect.

Part III of the FY 2002 application for Part C funds requested updated information about each State's restricted indirect cost rate. Our records indicate that you have a cost allocation plan that has been approved by your cognizant agency and is effective until such time that substantial changes occur that would warrant a change. However, we have been reviewing your plan for compliance with the restricted rate requirements of 34 CFR §76.563-76.569, which apply to the Part C grant because IDEA has a nonsupplanting requirement. Because we have some questions, someone from our Department who works on indirect costs will call your agency to discuss the matter.

The enclosed grant award for FY 2002 is made with the continued understanding that this Office may, from time to time, require clarification of information within your application and appendices, if necessary. These inquiries are needed to allow us to appropriately carry out our administrative responsibilities related to Part C.

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We appreciate your ongoing commitment to the provision of quality early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

Sincerely,

Stephanie S. Lee
Director
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Enclosure

cc: Helen Keith
Part C Coordinator