Part C Dispute Resolution Data Notes

2017-18 Reporting Year

This document provides information or data notes on the ways in which states collected and reported data differently from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) data formats and instructions. In addition, the data notes provide explanations of substantial changes or other changes that data users may find notable or of interest in the data from the previous year.

Arizona

- During Federal Fiscal Year 2017, the Lead Agency (LA) supported local programs to improve the implementation of dispute resolution procedures through targeted technical assistance about how to support families to understand their procedural safeguards and dispute resolution options. Additionally, contract action was taken against programs with multiple written, signed complaints that resulted in findings of noncompliance. This two-pronged approach of focused technical assistance and contract action resulted in a decrease in the overall number of written, signed complaints and in findings of noncompliance at the local program level. Furthermore, the LA received extensive support from national technical assistance (TA) centers including the Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center (ECTA), The IDEA Data Center (IDC), The Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems (DaSY), and the National Center for Systemic Improvement (NCSI), through monthly phone calls.

Kansas

- Kansas Part C did not adopt Part B procedures.

Kentucky

- Kentucky had 2 written complaints during the fiscal year 7/1/2017 to 6/30/2018. These were adjudicated within timelines. There were no mediations or due process hearings requested or held during the same time period.

Nevada

- There were four complaints filed. After the investigations, findings were issued on two of the complaints and for the other two complaints the programs were found to be in compliance with federal regulations.