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## **Raising Special Kids Survey**

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### **Early Intervention (IDEA Part C)**

**This survey is intended for families of children ages birth to 3.**

The US Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) is visiting Arizona's Department of Education to see how well the state is meeting its requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Since 1985, Raising Special Kids has been funded by the US Department of Education to serve as Arizona's Parent Training and Information Center serving families of children with disabilities. Raising Special Kids has been asked to conduct a brief survey to find out what parents know about how well Arizona meets its requirements under IDEA.

Your experiences and opinions will provide valuable information about how IDEA is working in Arizona. Your responses are confidential. Your name will not be used. Results will be reported to OSEP.

Some questions may be difficult; if you are not sure of an answer, please indicate by choosing "don't know" or other appropriate selection.

Please submit the survey as soon as possible, and at least **by Wednesday, October 14, 2009**. If you have questions please send email to [info@raisingspecialkids.org](mailto:info@raisingspecialkids.org).

Thank you for your time and participation.

**My child is age**

- birth - 1 year
- 1 -2 years
- 2 -3 years

**My child's primary disability:**

- Other health impairment
- ADHD
- Autism
- Intellectual disability
- Deaf-blindness
- Deafness
- Developmental delay
- Emotional disability
- Hearing impairment
- Orthopedic impairment
- Learning disability
- Speech impairment
- Visual impairment/blindness
- Brain injury
- Unknown

Other

**I live in**

Northern Arizona

Central Arizona (including all Maricopa County)

Southern Arizona

Other

**My ethnicity is**

African American

Asian

Caucasian

Hispanic

Native American

Other

**I have been informed of my rights under the Early Intervention Program for Infants and Toddlers with Disabilities (Part C of IDEA). In Arizona this is also known as Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP).**

Yes

No

Not sure

**In my experiences with early intervention in Arizona, the area most in need of improvement is (choose only one):**

IFSPs (Individual Family Service Plans)

Other community-based services

- Qualified service providers
- Evaluations / assessments
- Services in the natural environment
- Early Intervention service providers
- Timely Early Intervention Services
- Child Find and Referral
- No improvement needed
- Don't know
- Other

**In the past year, Arizona has corrected non-compliance issues in IDEA.**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**Within the past year I requested a**

- Mediation
- State Complaint
- Due Process Hearing
- None of the above

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**The issues I raised in the complaint were answered in the letter I received from the state.**

- Yes

No

**I know how to get information and data about early intervention services in Arizona**

Yes

No

Not sure

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**I get early intervention information and data from**

State website (DES / AZEIP)

State or local agency staff

Parent Training and Information Center (Raising Special Kids)

Advocacy group

Never retrieved information or data

Other

**I think the early intervention system in Arizona provides the services and supports that my child and family need.**

Yes

No

Not sure

**I know how Arizona collects information on early childhood programs and outcomes.**

Yes

No

**My child receives services at home, in a child care center, or another**

**familiar place.**

- Disagree strongly
- Disagree somewhat
- Neutral
- Agree somewhat
- Agree strongly

**I know how well Arizona has met federal requirements for early intervention, and special education.**

- Yes
- No

**I think Arizona's implementation of the 45 day timeline was in compliance with IDEA early intervention requirements. (All infants and toddlers with disabilities should have evaluations and assessments and initial Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) meetings conducted within 45 days of the child's referral to the Part C early intervention program.)**

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

**What is the most important thing Arizona can do to improve the ability of our state to meet its requirements for early intervention under IDEA?**

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