

Indicator 11: Percent of children, with parental consent to evaluate, who were evaluated within 60 days (or State established timeline)

For the 2007-08 school year, districts will report data for indicator 11 using the attached spreadsheets and in accordance with the following requirements:

- Florida's State Board of Education Rule 6A-6.0331, FAC, indicates the LEA shall ensure that students suspected of having a disability are evaluated within a period of time, not to exceed sixty (60) school days of which the student is in attendance, or for pre-kindergarten children not to exceed sixty (60) school days after: completion of pre-referral interventions, the receipt of the referral for evaluation, and the receipt of parental consent for the evaluation.
- Each LEA is required to outline in its Policies and Procedures for the Provision of Specially Designed Instruction and Related Services for Exceptional Students document what "receipt of referral" and "receipt of parental consent" mean and thereby define the initiation date of the 60-day timeline. Receipt of referral may not extend beyond 10 school days of receipt of parent consent.

Beginning in 2008-09, the requirements will change based on revisions to State Board of Education Rule. **Pending approval by the State Board in June, these revisions define the starting date for the sixty days as the date of receipt of parent consent.**

In addition to reporting the number of students evaluated, the U.S. Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) requires that we report these students according to the outcome of eligibility determination. This means that for each student evaluated during 2007-08, in addition to reporting timeline information, you will also need to report whether the student was determined eligible or ineligible for special education.