



TO: Roger Breed, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Education

FROM: Gary M. Sherman/Carol McClain, Office of Special Education

SUBJECT: Continue contracting for assistance with professional development as relates to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B (Sect. 619) and Part C (Infants/Toddlers)

Proposed Board Action:

Grant the Commissioner authority to continue contracting for assistance with professional development as relates to the IDEA Part B (Sect. 619) and Part C (Infants/Toddlers)

Background Information:

The Office of Special Education intends to continue to contract for assistance with planning and implementing professional development for infants, toddlers, and young children (ages birth to age 5) with disabilities. The contractor will provide training and consultation/coaching on early childhood topics of strategic planning for services to young children. The statewide initiative to implement Routines Based Interventions (RBI) requires coordination and training by a qualified trainer. The contractor is trained by the Siskin Institute on RBI. Regional RBI teams are being formed to support implementation. Priority activities to be continued include but are not limited to increased efforts and training in providing home-based services and Routines Based Interventions.

Estimated Cost:

Contractor: Sue Bainter
Contract Amount: \$49,900 (includes travel/other related expenses)
Est. Contract Dates: 10/1/12 to 9/30/13
Funding Source: IDEA Part C/IDEA Part B-619

Supporting Documentation Included:

None

For Additional Information on this item:

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