

Washington State  
**ESIT - Early Support for  
Infants and Toddlers**  
(IDEA Part C)

**Fiscal Review**  
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# IDEA Part C



Purpose



Fiscal Requirements & Required Assurances



FY25 Budget



Finance Committee



# IDEA Part C Purpose

34 CFR §303.1



## To provide financial assistance to states to:

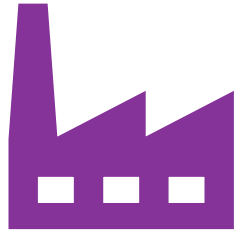
- Develop and implement a statewide, comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency system that provides Early Intervention services, **and**
- Facilitate the coordination of payment for Early Intervention services, from Federal, State, local & private sources, **and**
- Enhance State capacity to provide quality Early Intervention services and expand/improve existing Early Intervention services, **and**
- Enhance the capacity to identify, evaluate, and meet the needs of all children, **and**
- Encourage States to expand opportunities for children who would be “at risk”



# Fiscal Requirements

Federal  
State





## Federal

IDEA Part C and its implementing regulations ([34 CFR part 303](#))

Government-wide: OMB (Office of Management & Budget)  
Uniform Guidance ([2 CFR part 200](#))

Department of Education: [EDGAR](#) & Departmental Guidance –  
Policy Letters



## State

Statute: [RCW 43.216](#)

Regulation: [WAC 110-400](#)

State Lead Agency Policy/Guidance: [DCYF ESIT  
Policies & Procedures](#)



# Key Part C Fiscal Requirement

## Single Line of Responsibility (SLOR)



- 1) General administration and supervision of programs, agencies, and providers
- 2) Monitoring and enforcement
- 3) Identification and oversight of all available resources for Early Intervention services
- 4) Assignment of financial responsibility when funds are available and administered by other state agencies.





# Key Part C Fiscal Requirements

## Annual Grant Application Certifications



1. Annual application requirements [34 CFR §303.202, 34 CFR §303.203\(b\)\(1-2\)](#)
2. Responsibility of Lead Agency [34 CFR §303.120](#)
3. Application
4. Payor of Last Resort (POLR) [34 CFR §303.510](#)
5. System of Payments (SOPAF) [34 CFR §303.500\(b\), §303.520, §303.521](#)
6. Maintenance of Effort (MOE) [34 CFR §303.225](#)



# Required Assurances



Payor of Last  
Resort



Control of  
Funds and  
Property



Records  
Retention



Internal  
Controls



Prohibition  
against  
supplanting  
(MOE)



Fiscal Controls



# Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Prohibition Against Supplanting

34 CFR §303.225

Funding Sources for Part C: Federal, State and Local



DCYF is responsible for the identification and coordination of all available resources for early intervention services within the state, including those from federal, state, local, and private sources.



Goal: make sure states **maintain or increase financial support** for IDEA Part C programs from one year to the next





**Budget at least the same amount** of state and local public funds spent in the **most recent preceding fiscal year** for which information is available.



**Verify** that the total amount of state and local funds spent for Part C was **at least the same or more spent in the previous year.**

**Collection and timely reporting of accurate fiscal data needed for MOE is a shared responsibility across all the ESIT Provider Agencies. However, the actual calculation, documentation, and compliance obligation for Maintenance of Effort lies solely with the State Lead Agency (SLA).**

**MOE Procedures COMING SOON!**



# Fund Sources for Part C

## (WA State)



- **Federal Fund Sources:**

- Tri-Care (DHA)
- **Part C of IDEA Grant**

- **State Fund Sources:**

- Public Insurance (Medicaid) ✓
- **State Special Ed 0-3 ✓**
- **ELTA (Education Legacy Trust Account) ✓**
- DDA (Developmental Disabilities Administration) funds DSHS
- NDC (Neuro-Developmental Center) ✓  
Infrastructure funds DOH

- **Local Fund Sources:**

- County Tax Levy:
  - County Millage ✓
  - Best Starts for Kids ✓
- Local City/Government
- United Way
- Private Insurance
- Family Fees
- Fundraising/Cash Donations
- Foundations

**Fund Sources disseminated by State Lead Agency – DCYF**  
Fund Sources calculated in MOE ✓



# WA State Early Intervention Services and Financial Responsibility Interagency Agreement

between

Department of Children, Youth, and Families - DCYF (SLA)

and

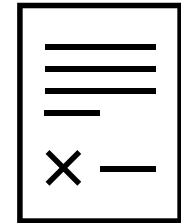
Department of Health – DOH

Department of Services for the Blind – DSB

Department of Social and Health Services – DSHS

Health Care Authority – HCA

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction - OSPI



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Washington State Department of  
**CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

The mission of the Early Support for Infants And Toddlers (ESIT) Program is to build on family strengths by providing coordination, supports, resources and services to enhance the development of children with developmental delays or disabilities through everyday learning opportunities.

# Part C Contracting Structure

## WA State



# Part C WA State Structure SFY25



# Part C State Lead Agency Funds

## Special Ed 0-3 (State):

Discretionary general funds allocated to the State Lead Agency for the Part C program.

## ELTA (State):

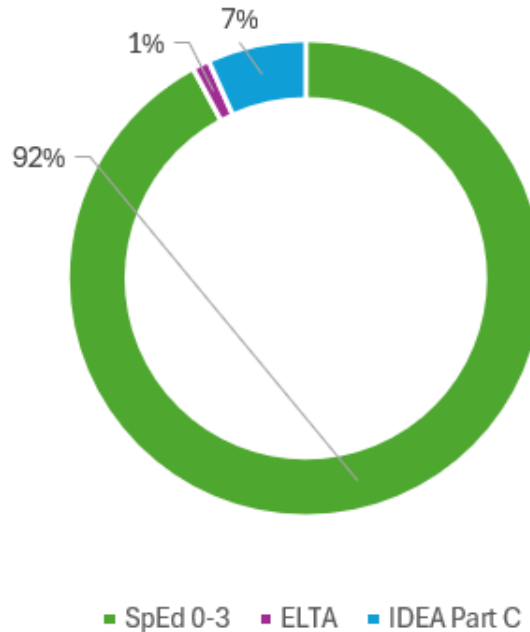
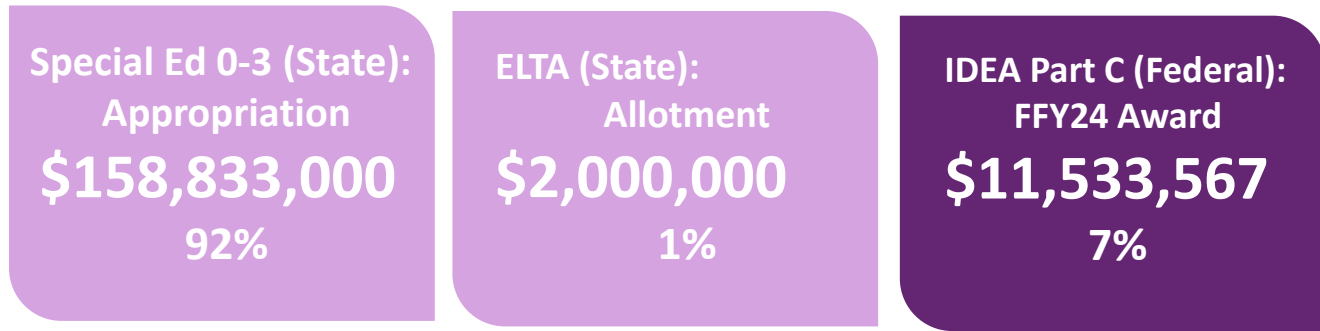
Education Legacy Trust account state treasury funds in support of early learning programs.

## IDEA Part C

**(Federal):** Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Part C Federal Grant award for State Lead Agency.



# Part C State Lead Agency Funds



**SFY25 TOTAL**  
**\$172,366,567**



# DCYF ESIT Allocated Funds SFY2025 Contracts

## STATE

1. Special Ed 0-3: **\$138,171,643 – 87%**

FY25 July Allocation to ESIT Provider Agencies: \$135,821,720

FY25 July Allocation Statewide Training, Technical Assistance & Supports: \$2,349,923

2. ELTA (Education Legacy Trust Account) - **\$2,000,000 – 100%**

FY25 July Allocation to ESIT Provider Agencies: \$2,000,000

## FEDERAL

1. IDEA Part C: **\$11,533,567 – 100%**

FY25 July Allocation to ESIT Provider Agencies: \$6,780,811

- \$6,280,811 – Part C base Allocation (FFY24) + \$500k (FFY23) – Part C Equity in Access Funds

FY25 July Allocation Part C Leadership Team, Indirect Costs, DMS & Statewide Training, Technical Assistance & Supports: \$4,752,756

## FY24 Contractor Allocation Totals – Jul 1 2024



# DCYF ESIT Budget to Expenditure SFY2025

## BUDGET

### State:

- SpEd 0-3 - \$158,833,000
- ELTA - \$2,000,000

### Federal:

- IDEA Part C – \$11,533,567

## EXPENDITURES YTD

### State:

- SpEd 0-3 – \$25,499,241 – 16%
- ELTA - \$389,252 – 19%

### Federal:

- IDEA Part C – \$2,284,857 – 20%



# DCYF ESIT Fiscal Priorities SFY25

- Maintenance of Effort (MOE)
  - MOE Procedures & Calculations
- OSEP Monitoring
  - Single Line of Responsibility (SLOR)
- Enhanced Medicaid Billing
  - Data Share Agreement with HCA
  - Bi-weekly Collaboration with HCA
- Statewide Fiscal Technical Assistance/Support





# Fiscal Responsibilities of ESIT SICC

The SLA has a number of fiscal responsibilities as it administers the Part C grant, and the SICC advises the SLA in that work.

- The SICC provides input on the **available sources of revenue** that may be used for early intervention. These sources may include state funds, local funds, insurance (public and/or private), and/or funds from federal programs.
- The SICC also has the responsibility of providing feedback and guidance to the state LA on the **yearly grant budget**. This is especially important when the state LA is experiencing either unanticipated additional funding or a funding shortfall.
- The SLA may use IDEA Part C funds to support the **SICC's work**.

[Quick Reference guide on the Fiscal Responsibilities of Part C SICC](#)



# Engaging Part C SICCC in Fiscal Discussions

- Discussing the Grant Budget
- Funding & Spending
- Policy & Procedure Changes
- Accessing Funding Sources
- Additional Funding Sources
- Fiscal Forecasting
- Legislative Initiatives

[Engaging Part C State Interagency Coordinating Councils in Fiscal Discussions](#)



# Potential SICC Fiscal Updates

**October** – Update on current fiscal year (Budget & July Allocations)

**January** (special session) – \*could add fiscal update (Expenditures to date in current fiscal year & Statewide Revenue Report from most recent closed fiscal year)

**February** – Part C Grant Application (Timeline & Public Hearing/Comment Process) – Feb 2024 presentation



# Finance Committee

**GOAL:** To maintain a sustainable system for early intervention that supports streamlined, equitable statewide funding of services for infants, toddlers, and their families and promotes best practice in early intervention.

- Review issues related to funding, including annual budget, funding formulas, funding allocation, and accessing funding sources.
- Engage and support the SICC in meaningful ways on fiscal issues.



# Ask to the Council

## What are the Council's priorities for this program year?

Of the 4 fiscal-related priorities identified by DCYF for this program year, which priority area(s) should the Finance Committee include in their annual FY25 work plan?

