

III.B. Sub-strategy Detail

Agency Code:	Agency Name:	Prepared By:	Statewide Goal Code:	
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AGENCY GOAL: 1 Ensure Children and Their Families Reach Their Developmental Goals

OBJECTIVE: 1 Ensure Targeted Families Receive Resources and Supports

STRATEGY: 1 ECI Services

SUB-STRATEGY: 3 Follow Along Services

Code	Sub-strategy Detail	Expended 2014	Expended 2015	Budgeted 2016
	Objects of Expense:			
4000	Grants	\$480,870	\$522,772	\$476,095
	Total, Objects of Expense	\$480,870	\$522,772	\$476,095
	Method of Financing:			
	Federal Funds			
555	84.181.000 Special Education Grants, Part C	480,870	522,772	476,095
	Total, Method of Financing	\$480,870	\$522,772	\$476,095
	Number of Positions (FTE)	0.0	0.0	0.0

Sub-strategy Description:

Early Childhood Intervention (ECI) provides services to children with developmental delays and disabilities from birth to 36 months to mitigate or eliminate the gap between their current and expected development trajectory. Early intervention is an effective way to help very young children catch up or address specific developmental concerns as soon as possible and before they are eligible for special education services. The program is a blend of developmental, educational, and medical services that: use a comprehensive evaluation and functional needs assessment for service planning; teach families how to incorporate learning opportunities throughout the child's day; develop strategies that support school readiness and pre-literacy; help families access needed community resources and services after leaving ECI; and coordinate services with the child's physician and other service providers. ECI contracts with 51 local agencies (community centers, education service centers, and private nonprofit organizations) to provide early intervention services. Each local agency is responsible for providing a full array of services and implementing a comprehensive service delivery system. Families and professionals work together to evaluate the child, develop the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), and ensure that appropriate services based on the unique strengths and needs of the child and family are offered.