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EDFacts Modernization and What it Means for IDEA Part B and Part C Data Submissions: Preparing for Change

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Session Description

The purpose of this session is to discuss the impact of the EDFacts Modernization work on states' submission of IDEA Part B and Part C data to OSEP. Representatives from OSEP and EDFacts will discuss the changing expectations around submitting high quality IDEA Section 618 Part B and Part C data to ED and the effect of these new expectations on OSEP's use of the data. Additionally, representatives from the data TA centers will provide an overview of tools and resources that are available to states to support their transition to submitting IDEA Part B and Part C data under EDFacts Modernization.

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Critical Information

EDFacts Information Collection Package Update

- We anticipate that the package will be approved next month/ July.
- During the 30-day public comment period, OSEP proposed to make the following updates from proposal made during the 60-day public comment period.
 - a. Maintain the changes to the Part B Personnel data collection.
 - b. Revise the changes to the MOE Reduction and CEIS data collection.
 - c. Revise the changes to the IDEA Assessment data collection.
 - d. Withdraw the changes to the IDEA SSS metadata survey.
- EDFacts and OSEP will communicate with IDEA State Directors and Part B Data Managers once the package has been approved.

Overview of EDFacts Modernization

- Goal of EDFacts Modernization:
 - Publishable data as of the due date
 - ED: Provide tools and run processes to support state ownership of data quality (DQ)
 - State: Address data issues (quality or explain non-compliance) prior to the due date
 - Eliminate state work after the due date
- New Tool – EDPass
 - Pre-submission Data Quality tool that will allow states to check data against all business rules
 - States will know the data quality results before submitting to ED and will either fix or explain issues prior to the due date



Critical Information (continued)

- What Changes in SY22-23?
 - The business rules are applied before the data are submitted.
 - State fixes data or explains data prior to the due date when business rules trigger
 - Some adjustment to due dates.
 - Access to data quality results through the new tool.

Impact of EDFacts Modernization on IDEA Section 618 Data

- No resubmission periods
- Changes to due dates/ freeze dates
- Increased importance of pre-submission data quality work at all levels of data reporting (SEA, LEA, and school, as applicable)
- Increased importance of high-quality data notes
- Increased importance of good data governance
- Data quality work will be expected at all levels that data are submitted to EDFacts.
- OSEP will provide pre-submission data quality technical assistances to states.

Technical Assistance to Support States During This Transition

- OSEP's national data TA centers will continue to support states in preparing the IDEA data for submission to ED/ OSEP.
- IDC's SEA and LEA Edit Check and Data Display Tools identify potential business rule errors or errors in subtotals or totals prior to submitting data submissions to OSEP.
- IDC is looking at ways to create new or refine existing tools and products to support modernization efforts

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- CIID's Generate Tool is an automated and simplified ED Facts reporting tool.
- CIID's TA focuses on people, processes, and systems.
- CIID's Data Integration Toolkit provides a sample road map articulating typical steps and tasks required for integration.
- DaSy offers the following to assist with ED Facts Modernization for the Part C data:
 - Part C 618 Edit Check and Display Tool that assists with identifying computational, formatting, and other reporting errors prior to submission.
 - Part C Data Processes Toolkit that offers customizable data protocols to document Lead Agency data processes.
 - Part C Data Notes Brief Provides that provides tips and best practices for writing and submitting data notes.



Resources and/ or References

- ED Resources:
 - [The EDFacts Initiative | U.S. Department of Education](#)
 - [EDFacts Business Rules Guide -- EDFacts](#)
 - PSC Support Updates - [Communities360° - Home > Overview > Home \(ed.gov\)](#) (particularly the Modernization Corner section)
 - Writing Good EDFacts Data Notes: [Communities360° \(ed.gov\)](#)
- IDC Resources:
 - [Home | IDC - IDEA Data Center](#)
 - [Saying More With Data Notes \(ideadata.org\)](#)
 - [Edit Check Tools | IDC - IDEA Data Center](#)
- CIID Resources:
 - [Communities360° - Home > Overview > Home \(ed.gov\)](#)
 - [Communities360° - Home > Overview > Generate \(ed.gov\)](#)
 - [Communities360° - Home > Overview > Toolkit \(ed.gov\)](#)
- DaSy Resources:
 - [| DaSy Center](#)
 - [Part C Data Processes Toolkit](#)
 - [Part C Data Notes Brief](#)
- CIFR Resource:
 - [Writing Exemplary Data Notes for Local Educational Agency Maintenance of Effort Reduction Data and Coordinated Early Intervening Services Data – Center for IDEA Fiscal Reporting \(wested.org\)](#)