

July 2021 Release Notes

Based on the annual review of the i3 Early Intervention and Special Education content, revisions to i3 were made on July 1, 2021. The July 2021 i3 update includes the revision and addition of content as well as additional resources as listed below.

Part B: Special Education Updates

- Consents (Page: [Special Ed, Procedural Safeguards, Consents](#))
 - Informed and Written Consent – clarification of content
 - Consent/Notice for Full Individual Initial Evaluation – clarification that the current form includes both consent and written notice
 - Consent to/Notice of Reevaluation – clarification that the current form includes both consent and written notice
 - Medicaid Consent/Refusal forms for AEA and LEA – addition of the telehealth statement on all Medicaid forms
- Prior Written Notice (Page: [Special Education, Procedural Safeguards, PWN](#))
 - Clarification of the Consent for FIIE and Consent for/Notice of Reevaluation includes the required PWN information; however, the Consent of Initial Services does not
- Types of IEPs (Page: [Special Ed, IEP, Types of IEPs](#))
 - Initial IEPs Prior to Age 3 – revision of procedures on the documentation of IFSP and IEP services for learners prior to age 3
 - Trial Placements – clarification on when a reevaluation is needed when implementing a trial placement
- Unique Settings ([Page: Special Ed, IEP, Unique Settings](#))
 - Title of the page was changed from ‘Unique Placements’ to ‘Unique Settings’
 - Heading changed from ‘Alternative Services and Placements as Determined by IEP Team’ to ‘Alternative Services and Settings’

- Student Records (Page: [Special Ed, Procedural Safeguards, Student Records](#))
 - Disclosure – clarification on the sharing of information for students transitioning from Early ACCESS to special education
- Dispute Resolution (Page: [Special Ed, Procedural Safeguards, Dispute Resolution](#))
 - Additional information on AEA Mediation as an option to resolve differences

Part C: Early Intervention/Early ACCESS Updates

- Consents (Page: [Early Intervention, Procedural Safeguards, Consents](#))
 - Informed and Written Consent – clarification of content
 - Medicaid Consent/Refusal forms for AEA and LEA – addition of the telehealth statement
- Transition for C to B / IEPs Prior to Age 3 (Page: [Special Education, IEP, Types of IEPs](#))
 - Documentation of services in the IowaIDEA Web IFSP/IEP system

Resources

- [Release of Information Guide](#): (This resource is posted on both the Early Intervention and Special Education Resource pages in the section for Provider/Educator General.)
- Early Intervention: [Vision Checklist](#) (added June 2021)
- Special Education: IEP Documentation Guide (PDF and web pages)

General Edits

- Special Education: The work has begun to start replacing “student/s, child/ren, and individuals” with “learner/s”
- Per updates to Iowa Administrative Code, shifting to person-first language and removing the capitalization of “braille”
- Corrections to spacing and formatting issues
- An additional level of dropdowns have been added to the top navigation bar

Links

Training slides: [LINK TO DRAFT SLIDEDECK](#)

i3 Site Updates: [Early Intervention and Special Education Side-by-Side Comparison](#)