

#7 Eligibility: *Do all children have to have their eligibility and their need for EI services re-determined annually?*

Response:

Re-determination of eligibility depends on the way the child was initially made eligible for HMG-EI. All children will need to have their *need for EI* services re-determined but not all children will need to have their eligibility re-determined. Only those children made eligible with a diagnosis not on the list (using form 8024) and children made eligible using Informed Clinical Opinion will need their eligibility re-determined annually. For most children and families the redetermination process will be prior to their annual IFSP meeting. It is very important to discuss the redetermination process with parents before their child’s redetermination is due.

See the chart below:

| Initial Eligibility Child is eligible due to: | Re-Determining Eligibility Will this child need their ELIGIBILITY re-determined? How and When? | Re-Determination of Need Will this child/family need their need for EI services re-determined? How and When? |
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| 1. Diagnosed Physical or Mental Condition on the ODH approved list | NO, child is eligible until the child turns three years of age | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Child Assessment Offer Family Directed Assessment and complete if family consents</p> <p>Multidisciplinary assessment is completed by at least two disciplines in all developmental domains.</p> <p>Assessment team should include the disciplines that are needed to determine if the child or family is in need of one or more EI services and make specific recommendations for EI services.</p> <p>When: Annually Re-determination may take place within 90 calendar days of the date the parent signed the initial IFSP.</p> <p>For example, if the parent signed the initial IFSP on 1.1.15; the 90-day window for the next annual redetermination will be 9.23.15 through 12.31.15.</p> |

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| <p>2. Diagnosed Physical or Mental Condition NOT on the list; HEA Form 8024</p> | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Completion of a new HEA Form 8024 (or identify another eligibility category).</p> <p>If the SC uses HEA 8024 as the eligibility category SC must have Form 8024 back from treating professional in enough time to complete all of the activities required within the first 45 days. SC coordinates a multidisciplinary assessment.</p> <p>When: Annually Eligibility may take place within 90 calendar days of the date the parent signed the initial IFSP.</p> | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Child Assessment Offer Family Directed Assessment and complete if family consents.</p> <p>Multidisciplinary assessment is completed by at least two disciplines in all developmental domains.</p> <p>Assessment team should include the disciplines that are needed to determine if the child or family is in need of one or more EI services and make specific recommendations for EI services.</p> <p>When: Annually Re-determination may take place within 90 calendar days of the date the parent signed the initial IFSP.</p> <p>For example, if the parent signed the initial IFSP on 1.1.15; the 90-day window for the next annual redetermination will be 9.23.15 through 12.31.15.</p> |
| <p>3. Child has a developmental delay; tool indicates a standard deviation of 1.5 in one or more developmental domains</p> | <p>NO, child is eligible until the child turns three years of age.</p> | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Child Assessment Offer Family Directed Assessment and complete if family consents.</p> <p>Multidisciplinary assessment is completed by at least two disciplines in all developmental domains.</p> <p>Assessment team should include the disciplines that are needed to determine if the child or family is in need of one or more EI services and make specific recommendations for EI services.</p> <p>When: Annually Re-determination may take place within 90 calendar days of the date the parent signed the initial IFSP.</p> |

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| <p>4. Tool does not indicate a developmental delay of 1.5 or more standard deviations in one or more developmental domain. The E and A team use(s) ICO to determine the child eligible. The E and A team complete Section IV and Attachment A of the new IFSP form to document the use of ICO.</p> | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Evaluation Tool (or identify another eligibility category)</p> <p>Eligibility is administered by at least two disciplines, in all domains; one team member has expertise in the child's area of need.</p> <p>The evaluation tool does not document a 1.5 SD in any developmental domain but the evaluation team determines through the use of informed clinical opinion that the child is still eligible for HMG-EI.</p> <p>When: Eligibility will need to be re-determined annually except when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New information indicates another eligibility category • Child is 90 calendar days or less from their 3rd birthday when re-determination is due. | <p>YES</p> <p>How: Child Assessment Offer Family Directed Assessment and complete if family consents.</p> <p>Multi disciplinary assessment is completed by at least two disciplines in all developmental domains.</p> <p>Assessment team should include the disciplines that are needed to determine if the child or family is in need of one or more EI services and make specific recommendations for EI services.</p> <p>When: Children who remain eligible under ICO will need to have their need for EI services re-determined annually except for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New information indicates another eligibility category • Child is 90 calendar days or less from their 3rd birthday when re-determination is due. |

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