

## BWEI Child Outcomes Procedure

### **Outcome Data Collection:**

Starting July 1, 2007, outcome data will be collected for all children.

1. **Entry data** will be collected at the initial IFSP:
  - a. For children at least six months old--chronological age.
  - b. For children less than thirty months old--chronological age.
2. **Entry data** will be collected for children less than six months chronological age at entry when they reach six months chronological age .
3. **Annual IFSP:** outcome data is optional.
4. **Exit data** will be collected for all children provided they have received six consecutive months of services:
  - a. If a child misses one or two months of services during eight months or more of services, exit data will be collected because that is close enough to six consecutive months of services.
  - b. If a child misses more than two months of services during eight months of services, new entry data will be collected when services resume.

Age of Child At Entry	When to Collect Outcome Data		
	Entry	Ongoing (optional)	Exit
Child is <i>less than</i> six months chronological age at entry	When child reaches six months chronological age	Annual IFSP	At exit
Child is <i>at least</i> six months chronological age and <i>less than</i> thirty months chronological age at entry	Initial IFSP	Annual IFSP	At exit

### **Determine six months of consecutive services:**

1. Begin counting services the date on which the outcome ratings are determined, i.e., the date of the initial IFSP or the date the child reaches six months chronological age.
2. Only those children who had six consecutive months of services need to have the rating completed at exit. "Six months of services" refers to time in service and is defined as either (1) six consecutive months being enrolled in and receiving early intervention services or (2) eight consecutive months being enrolled in services, during which there was a gap of two months or less when the child did not receive services for whatever reason (illness, family circumstances, etc.).
3. The child need not receive six months of services in the same program to meet this definition. The original program completes the entry rating. The receiving program completes the exit rating. The original program will provide the receiving program with a copy of the Baby Watch Child Outcome Summary Form or Summary Form.
4. New entry and exit assessments will need to be conducted for a child who has exited early intervention services permanently prior to thirty months of age without six months of consecutive services and is then later re-enrolled in services for at least six months.