



Monday Message

August 16, 2021

Special Education Module

Update to ECATS Service Delivery Frequency List

“Monthly” has been added as a service frequency option to special education and related services in ECATS and is live in the system as of Monday, August 16th. The order of the service frequency options was changed to be user friendly by making the most frequently used frequency appear first in the list. The Service Frequency (Time Periods) list has been updated to include the following items in this order:

1. week,
2. day,
3. month,
4. reporting period

Note: This message is a repeat of the August 9, 2021, Monday Message.

2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 7

All Public-School Units are responsible for certifying Indicator 7: Preschool Outcomes in ECATS. The Indicator 7 count captures the percent of preschool students with IEPs who demonstrate improved childhood outcomes and is based on data from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The Indicator 7 Count is due by close of business August 20, 2021. The training video, ECATS Webinar – Indicator 7 Reporting, along with additional reference handouts are posted in each district's ECATS instance on the main page under Resources > Federal Reporting.

The screenshot shows the 'Resources' section of the ECATS system. On the left, there are three main categories: 'Federal Reporting', 'Service Logging Documents', and 'Special Education Documents'. Under 'Federal Reporting', there is a list of five items, each with a dropdown menu set to 'Federal Reporting'. The items are dated 10/26/2020 and 10/13/2020. The document titles include 'ECATS Indicator 11 Reporting - Exceptions Tab Guide', 'ECATS Indicator 11 Reporting - Updating Initial Delay Reason Guide', 'ECATS Indicator 11 Reporting - Errors and Warnings Guide', 'ECATS Indicator 11 Reporting - FAQ Guide', and 'ECATS Training Federal Reporting Webinar Videos - Last Updated 10/11/2020'. On the right side of the screenshot, there are two additional links highlighted in yellow: 'ECATS Indicator 7 Reporting - Errors and Warnings Reference Guide' and 'ECATS Indicator 7 Reporting Checklist'.

Please submit any questions or issues directly to ZenDesk to ensure that problems with data are corrected efficiently.

Note: This message is a repeat of the August 9, 2021, Monday Message.

2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 12

Indicator 12 captures data on students who received Part C services and were referred to Part B during the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year. All students must have an IEP developed within 90 days of the referral and receive services by their 3rd birthday. Indicator 12 will be submitted on spreadsheets by all PSUs and can be accessed by clicking this link: [Indicator 12 Spreadsheet](#) or by going to the ECATS site under Resources (<https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/resources>). The spreadsheet has a tab with helpful clarifications to assist PSUs on entering their data and can be submitted at any time prior to the due date of October 29, 2021. Charter Schools do not need to submit an Indicator 12 spreadsheet this year. Please email all Indicator 12 spreadsheets to ecindicators@dpi.nc.gov.

For previous issues of the ECATS Monday Message, please visit <https://www.dpi.nc.gov/districts-schools/classroom-resources/exceptional-children/every-child-accountability-tracking-system-ecats/monday-messages>.