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Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services

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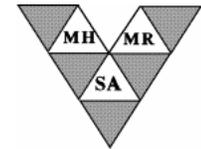
## System of Determination (July 1, 2005-June 30, 2006)

As required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), each State must have in place a State Performance Plan (SPP) that evaluates the State's efforts to implement the requirements and purposes of Part C of IDEA and describe how the State will improve its implementation of the federal legislation. Annually, each State must submit to the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) an Annual Performance Report (APR) outlining the progress the State has made in meeting the measurable and rigorous targets established in the SPP.

OSEP reviews the information provided in the APR and any other available data and determines if a State: *Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention or Needs Substantial Intervention* in meeting the States measurable and rigorous targets. IDEA also requires that States in turn, establish a system by which they provide a determination status to each local early intervention system based on monitoring and other available data that demonstrates the local early intervention systems progress in meeting the measurable and rigorous targets established in the States SPP. The same determination categories that are used with States must also be applied to local early intervention systems: *Meets Requirements, Needs Assistance, Needs Intervention or Needs Substantial Intervention*.

A group of stakeholders assisted the DMHMRSAS in developing the criteria that would be used in making determinations for local early intervention systems in Virginia. The work of the stakeholders reflects our shared responsibility for continually promoting a culture of high performing systems that demonstrate the efficiency of service provision and supports continuous quality improvement. The following data was considered when making the local determinations: FFY 2005 local monitoring data on five (5) federally-required indicators (timely initiation of services, 45-day timeline, transition, primary service setting, percent of birth – 1 year old population served and percent of birth to 3 year old population served); correction of on-going noncompliance beyond one year; timely, reliable and valid data; and dispute resolutions. Virginia elected not to give any local system a determination status of *Needs Substantial Intervention* for the time period listed above as this was the first year of reporting the determination status of local early intervention systems.

The tables below represent a summary of the determination categories for each of the 40 local early intervention systems across the Commonwealth of Virginia:



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**Meets Requirements**

<b>Infant &amp; Toddler Connection of:</b>
Roanoke Valley
Rockbridge
Western Tidewater
Colonial Williamsburg Area
Goochland-Powhatan
LENOWISCO

**Needs Assistance**

<b>Infant &amp; Toddler Connection of:</b>
Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck
Piedmont
Hanover
Arlington
Cumberland Mountain
New River Valley
Alleghany-Highlands
Chesapeake
Henrico
Norfolk
Danville-Pittsylvania
Fairfax
Highlands
Mount Rogers
PD-14
Rappahannock
Chesterfield
Hampton-Newport News
Loudoun
PD-19
Prince William
Rappahannock-Rapidan
Richmond City
Virginia Beach
Harrisonburg-Rockingham
Portsmouth
Valley
Central Virginia
Eastern Shore
Southside

**Needs Intervention**

<b>Infant &amp; Toddler Connection of:</b>
Blue Ridge
Shenandoah Valley
Dickenson
Alexandria