

**Local Regional Direct Services Committee
Report to the Virginia Interagency Coordinating Council
December 13, 2000**

The Local Regional Direct Services Committee met briefly following the September Virginia Interagency Coordinating Council (VICC) Meeting. At that time, implementation of the new statewide Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) was in various stages across the state. Follow up training has been provided by Virginia Babies Can't Wait! technical assistance consultants for several councils who requested additional training. The IFSP forms (as well as the procedural safeguard forms) have been finalized; a memo was sent November 30, 2000 from Commissioner Kellogg to the 40 Local Interagency Coordinating Councils directing the councils to use these forms for all part C children.

The committee plans to develop, collect and disseminate sample outcomes. The committee would also like to facilitate communication and collaboration across the state so that those councils who need assistance with particular aspects of the IFSP process can be linked with councils who have had success in those areas.

The committee will meet following the VICC Meeting to develop a work plan for 2001 and to develop recommendations about timing and methodology for feedback from the field on the IFSP form.

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