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Early Beginnings to Bright Futures

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Parent Center Program Meeting

August 6, 2024

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OSERS Mission and Priorities

TO IMPROVE EARLY CHILDHOOD, EDUCATION, AND EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES AND RAISE EXPECTATIONS FOR ALL PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, THEIR FAMILIES, THEIR COMMUNITIES, AND THE NATION.

LEADING FOR EQUITABLE OUTCOMES

PREPARED WORKFORCE

Remedy immediate staffing shortages and effectively deploy diverse and equipped educators, providers, and support personnel

EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES

Amplify, promote, and actively drive effective learning experiences, instruction, intervention, services, and support

ACCESSIBLE TECHNOLOGY

Accelerate usage of inclusive materials and technology for in-person and remote learning and employment

STAKEHOLDERS

Engage families, individuals with disabilities, educators, providers, policy makers, advocates, and communities to identify successes, barriers, and needs

STRATEGIC RESOURCES

Invest in data-aligned coordinated activities that advance Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)

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Message from RTP Director



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Uniform Guidance Updates

- In effect October 1, 2024
- Raises the threshold for single audit to \$1 million in federal funding
- Raises the de minimus to 15%
- Raises the equipment threshold to \$10,000
- Department will provide guidance

Housekeeping

- Remember to keep your SAM.gov registration active
 - Prevent being unable to apply and drawdown funds
- Maintain greater than 50% parents on the organization's board
- Second obligations for supplement amounts
- Avoid excessive carryovers and no-cost extensions
- Look for revised guidance on completing annual reports
- Thank you all for your hard work towards meeting and often significantly exceeding project measures

RPTACs' Responsibilities

- Provide technical assistance within the scope of their cooperative agreements
 - Non-profit management
 - Service provision
 - Family centered equitable services
- Support centers in confirming to applicable local, State, and Federal laws and requirements, including Uniform Guidance and grant terms.

DMS 2.0 Protocols and Resources

- [DMS Resources for Grantees](#)
- DMS Protocols and Resources
 - [Monitoring Schedule](#)
 - [Monitoring Reports](#)

The screenshot displays the IDEA website interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, About, Law and Policy, Reports, Grants and Funding, Resources, and News and Media. The 'Resources' menu is expanded, showing options like Parents/Families, Educators/Service Providers, Resources for Grantees, Topic Areas, and Acronyms. The 'Resources for Grantees' page is active, featuring a breadcrumb trail 'Home » Resources for Grantees' and introductory text about the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Special Education Programs. Below this, there are sections for 'State Formula Grants' with sub-links for Overview, SPP/APR, Grants, DMS, and Fiscal; 'Differentiated Monitoring and Support' with descriptive text; and 'DMS Reports' with a link to 'DMS 2.0'. A 'General Resources' section at the bottom lists two PDF documents: 'DMS 2.0 Framework with Evidence and Intended Outcomes' and 'Overview of the Differentiated Monitoring and Support (DMS) System'.

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DMS Cohort 2: Monitoring Schedule

Monitoring Schedule

Engagement month/year identified for each Cohort in the table below.
Engagement Months: August 2024-January 2025

Cohort 2 2024-2025	IA-B	IA-C	AS-B	AS-C	KS-B	KS-C	IN-B	IN-C
	09/2024	09/2024	09/2023	09/2023	09/2024	09/2024	08/2024	08/2024
	OR-B	OR-C	ME-B	ME-C	NE-B	NE-C	MS-B	MS-C
	10/2024	10/2024	09/2024	09/2024	10/2024	10/2024	10/2024	10/2024
	ND-B	ND-C	TN-B	TN-C	UT-B	UT-C	LA-B	LA-C
	01/2025	01/2025	10/2024	10/2024	11/2024	11/2024	12/2024	12/2024

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Cohort 1 Monitoring Reports

Part B Monitoring Reports

Part C Monitoring Reports

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Parent Program Meeting

Center for Parent Information and Resources (CPIR)

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What's Happening at the CPIR?

- Parent Centers in Action Infographic
- Website
- Native American Terminology Guide
- Buzz From the Hub
- Circles of Expertise
- PCEW
- Parent Center Standards
- Welcome New Directors!



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Follow us on social media for the latest disability-related resources you can share with your social media networks:

- facebook.com/parentcenterhub
- x.com/parentcenterhub
- [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/parentcenterhub)

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Parent Centers in Action

An Action-Packed Year for Parent Centers

Take a look at what Parent Centers can achieve in one year! This infographic summarizes results of the 2022-2023 Parent Center Data Collection highlighting who we help, how we help, the languages we use to provide help, and how valuable families find our help. Take a look:

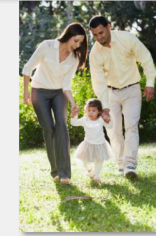
<https://www.parentcenterhub.org/an-action-packed-year-for-parent-centers/>

Parent Centers in Action

How many times did Parent Centers connect with families, professionals, and youth with disabilities in 2022-2023?

→ ~2.4+ million !

Parent Centers inform and train parents of children with disabilities to be effective advocates for their children



1,300,123
Parents attended *TRAININGS* (virtual and in-person)

494,199
Parents received *INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE*

Parent Centers are knowledgeable, committed, and a source of info you can count on



- ✓ IEP assistance
- ✓ On the phone, by text, by mail, in-person meetings
- ✓ In-person and virtual trainings

- ✓ Websites
- ✓ Webinars
- ✓ Newsletters
- ✓ Partners in systems change

Parent Centers also inform and train *PROFESSIONALS* and *STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES*

393,013
Professionals/ others at trainings (virtual and in-person)

163,829
Pro/others received *INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE*



42,610
Students with disabilities at trainings (virtual and in-person)

80,364
Students received *INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE*

EVERY STATE AND TERRITORY has a **Parent Center**


Find Yours!

→ <https://www.parentcenterhub.org/find-your-center/>

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Center for Parent Information and Resources

We serve as a **NETWORK** for Parent Centers.

<h3>About CPIR</h3> <p>A network of Parent Centers serving families of children with disabilities.</p> 	<h3>Find Your Parent Center</h3> <p>Parents can find help with Parent Centers in their state.</p> 	<h3>What's on the Hub?</h3> <p>Find resources, enews, our event calendar and more.</p> 	<h3>Connect with us</h3> <p>Facebook X Youtube</p>
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We've got a new look!

We're thrilled to launch our new website with a new look and features, customized in response to your feedback.

With a special new "Members Only" section for Parent Center staff.

Take a look and explore the new site!

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Native American Terminology Guide

New Resource!

We have a new addition to the Native American Resource Collection – the 2024 Guide to Terminology Related to Native Americans. Check out the Resource Collection:

<https://www.parentcenterhub.org/welcome-to-the-naptac-library/>

NATIVE AMERICAN TERMINOLOGY GUIDE



Developed by
The Center for Parent Information and Resources



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Buzz from the Hub

The Buzz is Back!

Our monthly e-newsletter highlights great resources, upcoming events, and information on key topics important to Parent Centers.

We asked for your input and you answered with great information and insight – thank you!

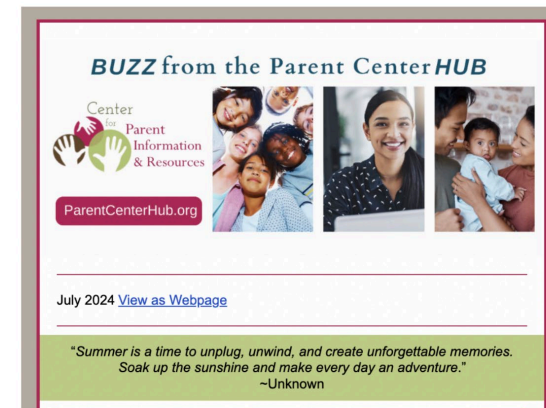
Sign up here to get the Buzz delivered to your inbox:

<https://www.parentcenterhub.org/buzz-from-the-hub/>



The Buzz is Back!

The CPIR's [Buzz from the Hub](#) monthly e-newsletter highlights hot new resources, upcoming events of note, and materials you can share via social media, your website, or your own e-newsletter. The *Buzz* spotlights a key topic every month. Take a look!



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SIGN UP FOR THE BUZZ



We Asked and You Answered!

We conducted a brief 3-question survey with Parent Center subscribers to assess their needs.

Respondents provided us with useful feedback:

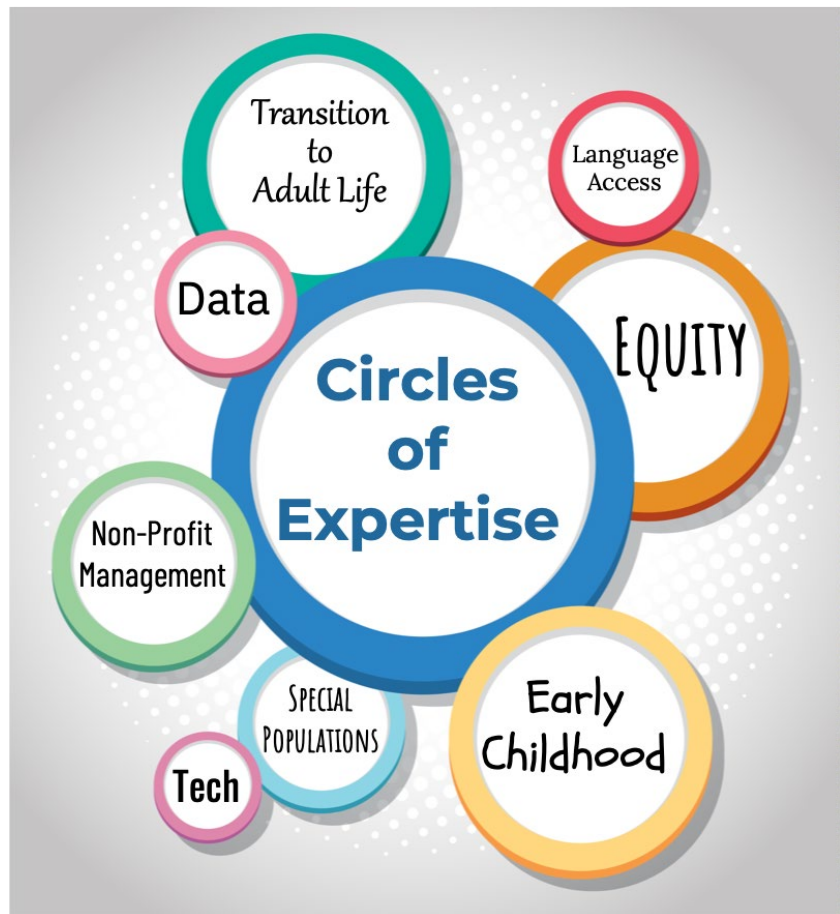
- How do you use The Buzz?
- Professional Growth & Sharing with Families/Youth
- Preferred Content Types?
- Video Content & Shorter Articles
- Sought-After Resources?
- Information sheets, guidance docs, policy updates

Thank you to everyone who participated in the survey. We hope you enjoy the **NEW** Buzz from the Hub!

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Circles of Expertise (CoE)



- Circles are targeted, intensive small groups of Parent Center staff with expertise on a topic focused on:
 - LEARNING - PD opportunities to expand content knowledge
 - SHARING - share info across the PC network
- PCs apply to join a Circle.
- 1st Circle - Early Childhood
14 applicants, 7 members selected; from all regions; support to attend DEC conference

PCEW: Parent Center Equity Workgroup



A tremendous thank you to PCEW for creating:

- Equity Definition & Statement
- Tool for Assessing Equity in PCs
- Equity Resources Collection
- Recommendations for PC, PTACs, OSEP

Workgroup facilitated by:

- ❖ Wendy Jones Whitty, Georgetown University National Center for Cultural Competence
- ❖ Debra Jennings, JEDI Content Specialist & Leadership Coach, DAJ Consulting

Elsa Diaz-Bautista - Alianza Latina Aplicando Soluciones (WI)

Kenya Martinez - Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (CA)

Lesli Girard - Families Together (KS)

Susan Ou - Federation for Children with Special Needs (MA)

Rich LaBelle - Florida Network on Disabilities

Shuntea Price - Support and Training for Exceptional Parents, Inc. (TN)

Jennifer Cole - Washington PAVE

Alfonso Guzman - INCLUDEnyc (NY)

Kanika Littleton - Michigan Alliance for Families

Elaine Hamilton - Ohio Coalition Education of Children w/ Disabilities

Joy Y. Sebe - Open Doors for Multicultural Families (WA)

Tina Norris - Parent Educational Advocacy Training Center (VA)

Rene Averitt Sanzone - Parents Place of MD

Sherrell Bethel - PEAK Parent Center (CO)

Trudy Billy - Raising Special Kids (AZ)

Vicky Rozich - Raising Special Kids (AZ)

Jenny Hutkowski - Starbridge (NY)

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Parent Center Standards: Non-Profit Management & Family-Centered Services

Process:

- Workgroup convened to review/revise Standards
- PTACs reviewed and provided feedback prior to submission to OSEP for final review
- Tools will be piloted with a CPRC and PTI in each region

Access:

- Tools will be housed on CentersConnect & CPIR website
- Can be completed online or offline
- RPTACs can assist with assessment

Designations:

- Achievement Commendation
- Exemplary Award
- Center of Excellence



Welcome to our new Parent Center Directors!



- ★ Mindy Allen
- ★ Amanda Berry
- ★ Brandye Brooks
- ★ Tammy Burns
- ★ Yasmeen Butler
- ★ Aimee Combs
- ★ Jenn Donelli
- ★ Cindy Duch
- ★ Julie Feliz
- ★ Marely Gomez
- ★ Kathy Gray-Mangerson

- ★ Jacqui Kelleher
- ★ Marlo Lemon
- ★ Jill McCormick
- ★ Jenn Miller
- ★ Megan Mutti
- ★ Soren Richardson
- ★ Brook Schmidt
- ★ Mandy Sonnenberg
- ★ Paul Tan
- ★ Kadie Towns

Thank You!

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