Reevaluations & Independent Educational Evaluations

Topics for Today

Reevaluations
• When required
• When can request
• Parent consent

Independent Educational Evaluations
• Why request
• What happens

Resources

Spec. Ed. Plain Lang., p. 43
What is a Reevaluation?

- Evaluation to see if a child continues to be eligible for special education
- IEP Team (Parents!)
- Notice (RE-1)

Reeval. required:
1. Parent or Teacher Request
2. Before removal
3. Every 3 years

3-Year Reevaluations

- Law requires a Reevaluation every 3 years
- IEP Team decides if child is still eligible:
  1. Disability +
  2. Needs

- Notice of Reeval. sent to parents (RE-1)

Understanding Reevaluations

- Reevaluations
  - Up to 15 business days to review existing data
  - IEP Team meets to determine child’s continued eligibility & special education needs (ER-1)

- Enough data (60 calendar days start)
- Not enough data (up to 60 calendar days)
- No reevaluation needed
  - Parents can disagree
  - More testing needed (RE-5) Parent consent
  - No testing needed (RE-4)
Special Education Removals

When child no longer needs special education

- A reevaluation is required before removal
  - School/Parent can make the request to remove, OR,
  - Removal can result from a 3-year reevaluation review
- IEP Team writes the report
- School must notify parent in writing (ER-4)

Requests for Reevaluation

- Parent or teacher may request any time (1/year)
- Parent & school must agree if over 1/year (RE-2)
- Possible reasons:
  - Not originally found eligible & still struggling
  - New areas of concern
  - Different or additional disability
  - Going to college soon
What is an IEE?
- Evaluation by qualified examiner who is not employed by the school
- Public expense under certain conditions
- Or, parents’ expense
- WI Info Bulletin 99.02

When to Ask for an IEE?
- When parent disagrees with IEP team’s evaluation of their child, as:
  - Who did it (qualifications)
  - How it was done (assessment tools, methods, only 1 test)
  - Results of evaluation
  - IEP content resulting from evaluation
- Only one IEE for each evaluation the school does

How Does an IEE Work?
- After eval/reval done
- Request in writing
- School response:
  - Provide IEE at public expense
  - OR, request Due Process Hearing
- Parent picks examiner
  - Check school criteria first
  - Unique circumstances
- School considers results
- Sends parents notice of IEP Team decision
Private IEEs

• Private IEE anytime
• Parents can share private IEE with school
• School must consider the private IEE results
• School not have to pay for private IEE

Resources

THANK YOU!

That’s It for Today!

- Register – www.wifacets.org
- Please complete your evaluation.
- Questions? WI FACETS 877-374-0511

THANK YOU!