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RE: Official New Hampshire Special Education Information System (NHSEIS)

The New Hampshire State Department of Education, Bureau of Special Education is offering guidance on the collection of special education data for local, state, and federal report requirements.

NHSEIS is the official New Hampshire Special Education Information System in which all local, state, and federal reports are generated from. The NHDOE developed NHSEIS with all the required business rules and continues to revise the business rules as needed to fulfill the State's mandate for local, state and federal reporting.

The NHDOE has spent the last two (2) years attempting to interface NHSEIS with IEP software systems with little positive results and numerous problems. The most prevalent problem is the integrity of data complying with State and Federal regulations. The NHDOE has not been able to meet the deadlines for the submission of State and Federal reports due to the numerous problems of the interface including districts not submitting valid, accurate, and timeliness of data. The NHDOE will continue efforts toward interfacing with NHSEIS and I4See.

However, after much due diligence and expenditure of state personnel and federal funds, the NHDOE has made the decision to end all efforts to interface NHSEIS with other IEP software systems. The NHDOE is requiring that all school districts enter data directly into NHSEIS beginning March 2, 2009.

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