New Hampshire Department of Education Bureau of Student Support Monitoring Review of Special Education Procedures

For Guidance for the Development of a Special Education Procedures Plan go to the Special Education page on the New Hampshire Department of Education website, click on the subject "Memorandums, Numbered" to find Bureau of Special Education FY'21 Memo #29 for the memo and guidance plan <u>Memorandums by Number | Department of Education (nh.gov)</u>.

Each district must have special education procedures and effective implementation of practices that are aligned and support the implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and the New Hampshire Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities (NH Standards). As part of the Monitoring Review, the Bureau will review the district's Special Education Procedures Plan for compliance.

To view the IDEA regulations, visit: <u>https://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-</u> <u>idx?SID=0485ade83ea8a1a352e476b7097131d4&mc=true&node=pt34.2.300&rgn=div5</u>. To view the NH Standards, visit: <u>http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/ed1100.html</u>.

Please review and revise as necessary your district's special education procedures plan using this form as a selfassessment tool to ensure compliance with IDEA and the NH Standards. Once you have finalized your special education procedures plan to align with IDEA and the NH Standards, please indicate in the Evidence Provided by District column on this form where each standard is addressed in your plan. Submit <u>Amy.Jenks@doe.nh.gov</u> by June 30, 2021, this completed form along with your final special education procedures plan.

Once submitted, any areas determined by the NHDOE as needing corrections will require correction and resubmission of the district's special education procedures plan for further review.

SAU:	Date Received:	

School	Date	
District(s):	Reviewed:	

Ed 1101 NEW HAMPSHIRE RULES FOR THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES	Evidence Provided by District Provide the page numbers in the plan where the evidence can be found.		Verified by NHDOE & Status (NHDOE use only)	
Ed 1101.01 Procedures based on the current New Hampshire Standards for the Education of Children with Disabilities Effective March 24, 2017, Amended June 14, 2018, Amended August 9, 2018 Found in 1 st section, Special Education Procedures Plan. District just needs to add their name to this.		☐ Yes ☐ No	□Yes □No	

Ed 1126.02 Criteria for Approval of Public and Non-Public Programs.

(b) The department shall approve public and non-public programs for children with disabilities through a monitoring process, including but not limited to on-site visit(s) and examination of written documentation, by reviewing the following- (3) Policies and procedures, including: a. Procedures for handling confidential information; b. Due process guarantees; c. Least restrictive environment processes; d. Child find activities; e. Non-discriminatory testing practices; and f. IEPs

Evidence Provided by District **Verified by NHDOE & Status** SPECIAL EDUCATION PROCEDURE REVIEW Provide the page numbers (NHDOE use only) in the plan where the evidence can be found. **Evidence Provided** Ed 1126.02(b)(3)(d) by District **Verified by NHDOE & Status Child Find Activities** Provide the page numbers (NHDOE use only) Found in: (found in 2nd section) in the plan where the evidence can be found. Ed 1105 Child Find Yes **Yes** Ed 1105.01(b) Responsibilities of the Local Education No | No Agency (all sections may be found in "Child Find Procedure" section (2nd Section of the procedures plan) Procedures for students age 2.5 but less than 21 years of age to find, identify and evaluate all students residing in the LEA Procedures for students placed in non-public/non-profit private schools Ed 1105.02 LEA Child Find Program Yes **Yes** (all sections may be found in "Child Find Procedure" section (2nd No No section of the procedures plan) Referral procedures
Includes a component for coordination with area agencies and family centered early supports and services Includes a component for annually contact all community agencies and programs within its jurisdiction Describe how they annually disseminate information describing child find program Annually provide parent rights A statement that they will ensure that all referrals from parents and others who suspect or know a child to be a child with a disability shall be referred to the IEP team A statement that they will ensure that child find activities are completed within the applicable timelines Ed 1105.03 Child Find For Children Placed in Homes for Yes Yes Children, Health Care Facilities, or State Institutions □ No No No (all sections may be found in "Child Find Procedure" section (2nd section of the procedures plan) Procedure for corresponding with or contacting once a year agencies or groups within the area served by the LEA explaining referral process and request they refer to students with suspected educational disabilities Ed 1105.04 Child Find for Children Currently Receiving Yes Yes Family Centered Early Supports and Services. □ No No (all sections may be found in "Child Find Procedure" section (2nd section of the procedures plan) Describe the transition process for children exiting Early Supports and Services

Refers to interagency agreement with local area agencies

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Ed 1126.02(b)(3)(b) Due Process Guarantees Found in:	Evidence Pro by Distri Provide the dist page numbers the evidence of found.	i ct rict plan where	Veri	fied by NHDOE & Status (NHDOE use only)
Ed 1106 Referral and Disposition of Referral Ed 1106.01Process; Provision of FAPE (may be found in "Child Find Procedure" (2 nd section) and /or "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" (7 th section) section(s) of procedures plan) Process for referral(including timelines) How parents are provided written notice of referral when received from themselves or others. Who referrals are provided to if student is not attending the traditional public school. How does the LEA provide parent's rights and responsibilities		☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes No	

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Ed 1120 Procedural Safeguards Ed 1120.05(c) Parent Refusal of Consent, Initiation of Due Process Hearing by LEA_ (may be found in "Child Find Procedure" (2 nd section) and /or "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" (7 th section)section(s) of procedures plan) Indication of whether the district has created their own or used the NHDOE's	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	
Ed 1123 Administrative Due Process Hearing Procedure Ed 1123.02(a) Sequence of an administrative due process hearing Ed 1123.03(a) Filing a Due Process Hearing Complaint (may be found in "Procedural Safeguards" section (6 th section)of procedures plan) ☐ ONLY IF ON Ed 1120 THEY HAVE NOT USED THE NHDOE PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS: these need to be included in their Procedural Safeguards	☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	

Ed 1126.02(b)(3)(c) Least restrictive environment processes Found in:	Evidence Provide by District Provide the district pl page numbers where the evidence can be found.	an Ver	ified by NHDOE & Status (NHDOE use only)
Ed 1111 Placement of Children with Disabilities Ed 1111.01 Placement in the Least Restrictive Environment (may be found in "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" section (7 th section) of procedures plan) Procedures regarding placement in the least restrictive environment		es Yes o No	
Ed 1111.02 Continuum of Alternative Educational Environments (may be found in "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" section (7 th section) of procedures plan) Continuum provided for both ages 3-5 and ages 6-21 Ed 1111.03 Placement Decisions (may be found in "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" section (7 th section) of procedures plan) Procedure around Placement decisions		es Yes	

Ed 1126.02(b)(3)(e) Non-discriminatory testing practices Found in:	Evidence Pro by Distri Provide the dist page numbers the evidence of found.	ct rict plan where	Verified by NHDOE & Status (NHDOE use only)	
34 CFR 300.304 Evaluation Procedures Ed 1107, 34 CFR 300.304 (c)(1)(i)&(ii) (may be found in "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" section (7 th section) of procedures plan) Assessment and other evaluation materials are selected and administered so as not to be discriminatory on a racial or cultural basis Assessment and other evaluation materials are provided and administered in child's native language or other mode of communication and in a form most likely to yield accurate information		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	

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Ed 1126.02(b)(3)(f) IEPs Found in:	Evidence Provided by District Provide the district plan page numbers where the evidence can be found.	Verified by NHDOE & Status (NHDOE use only)
Ed 1109.06(a) Monitoring and Annual Review of IEPs (may be found in "Pupil Evaluation to Placement" section (7 th section) of procedures plan) Procedure for monitoring and reviewing IEP's	☐ Yes ☐ No	Yes No