

State Part C Teams Discuss Their Experiences With the SSIP and SIMR Process





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Part C State Team Agenda

- *Team Introductions – Roles and Backgrounds*
- *Discussion Questions Around Phase I Experiences*
 - *Stakeholders*
 - *Infrastructure Analysis*
 - *Data Analysis*
 - *State-Identified Measurable Results (SIMR)*
- *Discussions Questions Around Phase II Plans*
- *Phase III Coming Next year....*
- *Questions from the Audience*

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SSIP Phases and Timelines

- Phase I: *Analysis*
Year 1, FFY 2013
Due April 2015
- Phase II: *Plan*
Year 2, FFY 2014
Due February 2016
- Phase III: *Implementation and Evaluation*
Years 3-6, FFY 2015-2018
Due February 2017 – February 2020

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Phase I – Analysis

Required Components of Phase I

- Data Analysis
- Description of Infrastructure to Support Improvement and Build Capacity
- State-Identified Measurable Result (SIMR)
- Selection of Coherent Improvement Strategies
- Theory of Action (ToA)

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Phase I Questions

Stakeholders:

- How did your state select *stakeholders* for development of the *SSIP*?
- In retrospect, were there interest groups or perspectives not represented in the stakeholders that should have been?
- How was your stakeholder group involved in the process?
 - How often did the stakeholder group meet?
 - What was their interaction with your State Team?
 - Did the stakeholder group serve in an advisory capacity or did they make decisions for the *SSIP*?

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Phase I Questions

Data Analysis:

- How did your State Team determine what data must be reviewed and analyzed to develop the SSIP?
- Were there concerns identified with the data analysis about data quality, missing data, or the data collection process?
 - What were those concerns?
 - How were those concerns addressed?
- What were the issues revealed by the data analysis that the State Team had to consider and prioritize?
- What did the data analysis reveal that led to the selection of your state's SIMR?

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Phase I Questions

Infrastructure Analysis:

- Which components of your state's infrastructure were most challenging to describe in the SSIP and why?
(Governance, Fiscal, Quality Standards, Professional Development, Data, Technical Assistance, and Accountability)
- From the review of the infrastructure analysis, what concerns did your State Team identify?
- What strengths did your State Team identify?
- How did this review contribute to the development of your *SIMR*?

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Phase I Questions

SIMR:

- What is your state's SIMR?
- Were there multiple issues from the infrastructure and data analysis that made it difficult to select the SIMR?
- How did your State Team settle on its SIMR?
 - Impact of Data
 - State Initiatives
 - Other

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Phase I Questions

Coherent Improvement Strategies:

- Describe the process your State Team used to develop its Coherent Improvement Strategies.
- How are they based on and connected to the findings of the Data and Infrastructure Analysis?

Theory of Action (ToA):

- How did the data analysis affect development of the ToA?
- How does your state's ToA connect the dots of your Data Analysis, Infrastructure description, SIMR, and Coherent Improvement Strategies?

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Phase II – Overview

*During **Phase II**, states will submit a multi-year plan addressing infrastructure development, supporting early intervention service (EIS) programs and lead agencies (LA) in implementing evidenced-based practices (EBPs), and an evaluation plan that will lead to measurable improvement in the State Identified Measurable Results (SIMR).*

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Phase II – Plan (Development)

Required Components of Phase II Include:

Multi-year Plan addressing:

- Infrastructure Development
- Supports for EIS Programs/LAs in Implementing Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs)
- Evaluation Plan

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Phase II Questions

Infrastructure Development:

- What specific improvements to your state's infrastructure are envisioned to better support EIS programs and LAs to implement and scale up EBPs to improve the SIMR?
- How will you identify who in your state will implement infrastructure changes, the resources needed, expected outcomes, and timelines?
- How does your state plan to involve EIS programs, the LA, and other State agencies in this work?

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Phase II Questions

Infrastructure Development (cont'd):

- What does your state anticipate being the most challenging aspect of infrastructure change and development?
- What additional tools, resources, and other supports are needed for your plan to have a positive impact?
- What additional types of resources are needed to encourage, support, and require local implementation of EBPs?

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Phase II Questions

Supports for LEAs in Implementing Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs):

- What steps and activities are being planned in your state to implement coherent improvement strategies?
- Will these steps and activities:
 - address communication strategies and stakeholder involvement?
 - describe how barriers will be identified and handled?
 - specify who will be in charge of implementation?
 - describe how activities will be implemented with fidelity?
 - describe the resources to be used?
 - include a plan to measure expected outcomes?
 - have a timeline for completion?

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Phase II Questions

Supports for LEAs in Implementing EBPs (cont'd):

- What conversations has your state had related to how to engage local agencies, including the state lead agency and other state agencies in how to support EIS programs and LAs in scaling up and sustaining EBPs implemented with fidelity?

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Phase II Questions

Evaluation Plan:

- Is the evaluation plan driven directly from the *If/Then* Statements in the ToA?
- What would be an example of a short-term and a long-term objective to measure implementation and impact will be included in the evaluation plan.
- Will the evaluation plan align with ToA and other components of the SSIP?
- How will the plan address methods to collect and analyze data to evaluate implementation and outcomes?

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Phase II Questions

Evaluation Plan (cont'd):

- Discuss how the state will use results to:
 - examine effectiveness of implementation of the SIMR
 - measure progress toward improvement in the SIMR
 - make modifications to SSIP, as necessary
- Address how results/information will be disseminated to stakeholders

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Phase II – Other Questions

- How might the frameworks developed by the Early Childhood Technical Assistance (ECTA) Center and the Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems (DaSy) provide a structure that will help make the task of “improving infrastructure” more manageable?
- What does your State Team anticipate being the most challenging aspect of the evaluation in your state?
- What additional tools, resources, and other supports will state’s need for their plan to have a positively impact?
- What additional types of resources are needed in order to encourage, support, and require local implementation of EBPs?

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Phase III – Evaluation and Implementation

Required Components of Phase III

- Reporting on Progress, including
 - Results of Ongoing Evaluation
 - Extent of Progress
- Revisions to the SSIP

To Be Discussed.... Next Year??

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