

Building Capacity for High-Quality IDEA Data

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# Data Managers: Sharing Strategies and Solutions for Common Challenges



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# **Objectives**

- Explore strategies and solutions for common challenges through a facilitated discussion
- Learn from the shared experiences of peers in other state education agencies (SEAs)
- Review IDC resources that are available to help address the challenges discussed

# **Supporting Local Data Quality**

- The quality of data at the SEA is dependent on the quality of data provided by local education agencies (LEAs).
- LEAs look to the SEA for guidance around highquality data.
- Support for data quality can take a variety of forms with varying amount of investment.

# **Factors That May Affect Strategies**

- Who controls the data collection at the SEA (you or another team in the agency)
- The make and number of LEAs
  - Small rural LEAs
  - Independent charter LEA
  - LEAs with more than 25 schools
  - Regional Education Service Centers

#### **Focused Questions**

- What are common issues related to data quality that you see with your LEAs?
- How has your SEA tried to address these challenges?
- What worked, what did not?



# **Crosswalking ED***Facts* **Data to APR Indicators**

- Data flows from the source collection to EDFacts.
- Portions of the Annual Performance Report (APR) are pre-populated by ED*Facts.*
- SEAs can manually overwrite pre-populated data.



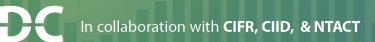
#### **Focused Questions**

- How do you track the flow of data from EDFacts to the SPP/APR?
- What actions do you take to ensure the data are accurate?
- What communication strategies do you employ when working with your SPP/APR Coordinator?



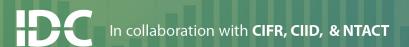
# **Public Reporting of Section 618 Data**

- Section 618 requires states to report to the Secretary of Education and the public on the equity of services provided under IDEA for various subgroups.
- Required subgroups for public reporting vary by data collection; however, among the subgroups are age, race/ethnicity, limited English proficiency status, gender, and disability categories.
- Data provided in the SPP/APR do not satisfy public reporting requirements under Section 618.



#### **Focused Questions**

- What is your agency strategy for fulfilling Section 618 public reporting requirements?
- How do you ensure that you are in compliance?
- What strategies do you use to ensure publically identifiable information is protected?



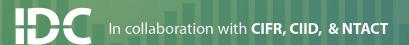
# **IDC Resources Available**

- Section 618 Public Reporting Requirements
- IDEA Section 618 Public Reporting Data Element
  <u>Checklists</u>
- IDEA Data Training Modules
- Coaching /Mentor Program
- Process Mapping Toolkit
  - Being piloted in a few states
  - Contact your IDC state liaison if interested in starting the work



# **IDC State Liaisons**

- Can provide hands-on help with IDC tools and products
- Can find an experienced TA expert to help address your specific questions, concerns, or issues
- Can help put you in touch with other states
  working on similar challenges



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