

**281—120.40(34CFR303) Content of the IFSP.**

**120.40(1) *Developmental status of the child.*** The IFSP shall include a statement of the child's present levels of physical development including vision, hearing and health status; cognitive development; communication development; social or emotional development; and adaptive development. The status of each area shall be based on professionally acceptable objective criteria and information provided by the family. [34 CFR 303.344(a)]

**120.40(2) *Priorities and concerns of the family.*** With the concurrence of the family, the IFSP shall include a statement of the family's resources, priorities and concerns related to enhancing the development of the child and the supports and services necessary to enhance the family's capacity to meet the developmental needs of the child. [34 CFR 303.344(b)]

**120.40(3) *Desired outcomes.*** The IFSP must contain a statement of the major outcomes expected to be achieved for the child and the child's family and the procedures, strategies, criteria and timelines used to determine progress toward achieving the outcomes and whether modifications or revisions of outcomes or services are necessary. [34 CFR 303.344(c)]

**120.40(4) *Early intervention services.*** The IFSP must include a statement of the specific early intervention services necessary to meet the unique needs of the child and the family and to achieve the outcomes specified within the IFSP. [34 CFR 303.344(d)(1)]

**120.40(5) *Frequency, intensity, method, and location.*** The IFSP must specify the following about the early intervention supports and services to be provided:

*a. Frequency and intensity.* Number of days or sessions that a service will be provided, the length of time the service is provided during each session, and whether the service is provided on an individual or group basis;

*b. Method.* How a service is provided; and

*c. Location.* The actual place or places where a service will be provided. [34 CFR 303.344(d)(1)]

**120.40(6) *Statement of natural environments.*** The IFSP shall contain a statement of the natural environments in which early intervention services shall be provided as described in rule 281—120.13(34CFR303). [34 CFR 303.344(d)(1)(ii)]

**120.40(7) *Justification for other setting in IFSP.*** For each early intervention service to be provided to the child, the IFSP team shall determine if the child's needs are being met in a natural environment. If the team determines that a specific service for the child must be provided in a setting other than a natural environment, such as a center-based program that serves children with disabilities or another setting appropriate to the age and needs of the child, a justification must be included in the child's IFSP. [34 CFR 303.344(d)(1)(ii)]

**120.40(8) *Payment arrangements.*** The IFSP must include a statement of the payment arrangements, if any, for each early intervention service, as described in division XI. [34 CFR 303.344(d)(1)(iv)]

**120.40(9) *Dates and duration of services.*** The date of initiation of services as soon as possible after the IFSP meeting and the projected duration of services shall be listed in the IFSP. [34 CFR 303.344(f)]

**120.40(10) *Service coordinator.*** The IFSP must include the name of the service coordinator from the profession most immediately relevant to the needs of the child or family, or the name of the person who is otherwise qualified to carry out service coordination functions, who shall be responsible for facilitating the implementation of the IFSP and coordination with other agencies and persons, as described in subrules 120.15(5) and 120.15(6). [34 CFR 303.344(g)]

**120.40(11) *Transition at the age of three years.*** To the extent appropriate, the IFSP shall address the transition of the child to early childhood special education, preschool, or other appropriate services. The IFSP must address the steps to be taken to support the transition of the child, as described in division VIII. [34 CFR 303.344(h)]

**120.40(12) *Other services.*** To the extent appropriate, the IFSP must include:

*a.* Medical and other services that the child needs, but that are not required under Early ACCESS, and

*b.* The funding sources to be used in paying for these services or the steps that will be taken to secure these services through public or private services.

The requirements of this subrule apply to routine medical services, such as immunizations and well-child care, when a child needs those services and the services are not otherwise available or being provided. [34 CFR 303.344(e), Note 3]