

**281—120.83(34CFR303) Policy for contracting or otherwise arranging for services.**

**120.83(1)** Each agency must have a policy pertaining to contracting or making other arrangements with public or private service providers to provide early intervention services. This policy must include:

- a.* A requirement that all early intervention services from public or private providers must meet state standards and be consistent with Part C;
- b.* The mechanisms that the lead agency will use in arranging for these services, including the process by which awards or other arrangements are made; and
- c.* The basic requirements that must be met by any individual or organization seeking to provide these services for the lead agency. [34 CFR 303.526]

**120.83(2)** Interim payments pending reimbursements. If necessary to prevent a delay in the timely provision of services to an eligible child or the child's family, Early ACCESS funds may be used to pay the provider of services, pending reimbursement from the agency or organization that has ultimate responsibility for the payment. Such reimbursement may be made for early intervention services, eligible health services, other functions and services including child find and evaluation and assessment, but not for medical services or well-child health care. [34 CFR 303.527(b)]

**120.83(3)** Nonreduction of benefits. Medical or other assistance available or eligibility under Title V of the Social Security Act related to maternal and child health or Title XIX of the Social Security Act relating to Medicaid for children eligible for Early ACCESS may not be reduced or altered. [34 CFR 303.527(c)]