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# **WY Early Intervention**

### New Web-Based Data System for Wyoming CDCs

The first two weeks of August will see personnel from all Child Development Centers participating in training for a new web-based data system. Special Education Automation Software will be the primary avenue for input of all information pertaining to IFSPs and IEPs for children birth to 5 years throughout Wyoming's 14 regions.

SEAS will be replacing the older Citrix system with the benefit of being able to be accessed through the world wide web. With a simple logon, users can enter a child's information on any required Part C or Part B/619 form. SEAS is also much more user friendly than Citrix.

From this information, endless reports can be generated as well as tracking the progress of the child. Local providers all the way up to the state and federal level can enter, edit,



and read information. All HIPAA regulations are still adhered to, but collaboration can increase.

The training will be held throughout Wyoming at various cities from Chevenne to Gillette to Powell to Green River. Local community colleges are hosting many of the trainings with the use of their computer labs.

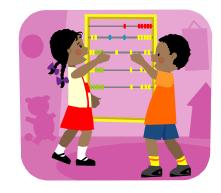
Registration for the trainings has been a huge success causing many of the sites to be over booked. The 14 regions all have several people taking advantage of the free training provided by the Department of Health's Developmental Disabilities Early Intervention and Education Program.

All regions should be proficient and utilizing SEAS by the end of August. SEAS also offers an online tutorial for users not able to attend a training with their SEAS University courses.

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# Special points of interest:

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- > Child Development Centers
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#### **OSEP Verification Visit**

The Office of Special Education Programs has notified the Early Intervention and Education Program they will be on site in Cheyenne doing a verification visit the week of September 27—October 1st

They will be focusing on three main areas: General Supervision, Fiscal Operations, and Data. It will take approximately 5 days to complete the verification visit at which time they will return a final report with any findings.

The monitoring document OSEP is using to base their visit on is the Critical Elements Analysis Guide (CrEAG) This 22 page checklist asks various questions about how Part C and Part B/619 is ran and what documentation supports the answers. Every-

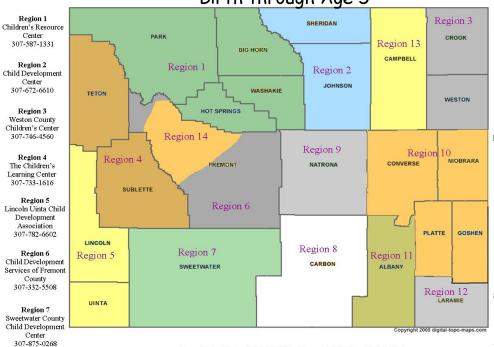
thing from how state monitoring is done to data collecting to how funds are dispersed/used is part of the CrEAG verification.

The final day of the visit is a massive conference call between OSEP, EIEP, and the 14 regions across the state and their stake holders. EIEP and OSEP have already been exchanging information in preparation for the visit.

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## Wyoming Regional Child Development Centers

Birth through Age 5



1-877-WYO-GROW

Region 8 Project Reach Early Intervention and Preschool Center 307-324-9656

Region 9 Child Development Center of Natrona County 307-235-5097

Region 10 Wyoming Child and Family Development, 307-836-2751

Region 11 Developmental Pre-school and Day Care Center 307-742-6374

Region 12 STRIDE Learning Center 307-632-2991

Region 13 Developmental County 307-682-2392

Region 14 Early Intervention Program-Wind River Reservation 307-332-3516





#### Child Development Centers Provide Early Intervention

Across Wyoming are 14 regions represented by 42 facilities serving the needs of children with disabilities from hirth through age 5. Some regions have just one county while others cover multiple counties.

These centers locate, identify and evaluate children in this age range for developmental disabilities, work with the parents on a plan to meet their individual needs which could be therapeutic or supportive in a wide variety of areas.

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cation Program with the DD has supervisory responsibility over each Child Development Center



(CDC) to insure services are provided and the Individuals with

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Disabilities Education Act is complied with.

All eligible children have an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) if they're less than 3 years old or an Individual Education Plan (IEP) if they're 3 years or older. This plan is developed with the parents and many different personnel at the CDC. It outlines the services the child will be receiving free of charge.

With these services it is the hope that children receive early intervention to best meet their needs while developing.

Please send any suggestions for content you would like to see such as: websites, TA help, Q&A topics, etc.

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The Early Intervention and Education Program at the Developmental Disabilities Division provides assistance and oversight to the regional child development centers that serve young children, from birth through 5 years of age, with disabilities and their families across Wyoming.

> We're on the web! http://health.wyo.gov/ddd/ earlychildhood/index.html



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