

National Center on Special Education Accountability Monitoring Work Plan

State/District: Iowa Department of Education Part B

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Date for Review: October 2004

Description of Concern/Need:	Priority Ranking:
<p>Data System: Examining trend data on priorities and ways of comparing Iowa data (regional, national, state average, etc.) Drill down from the multiple sources of information to develop hypotheses, develop additional questions. Ways of comparing similar – LEAs (enrollment groups).</p>	2
<p>Stakeholder Group: Have worked on increasing the comprehensiveness/diversity of Special Education Advisory Panel [stakeholder group]. Considered as a need increasing the capacity of the group to be advisory and do necessary work. Need to provide the monitoring group, including directors, with an introduction to focused monitoring.</p>	1
<p>Focused Monitoring Procedures: Gathering information from parents/parent interview information. Possibly gathering information from students. Development of [content] protocols based on the indicators (using the Enduring Concepts). Follow-up on corrective action – database on effect of corrective action.</p>	3
<p>Research & Evaluation: Discussion and examination of ways to have a unified Part C/B focused monitoring system. Develop evaluation for the focused monitoring system.</p>	4

Desired Result:	Data Sources & Description:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Established priorities that include benchmarks for selecting LEAs for on-site focused monitoring. 2. Trend data will be generated for all LEAs and used for selecting LEAs for 2004-2005 	<p>IMIS Information from other states on protocols for indicators Information from states using</p>

<p>monitoring.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Develop protocols for the key indicators for 2004-2005 monitoring. 4. Create a database for tracking corrective actions and determining the effect of these. 5. Design an outline for an evaluation plan. 	<p>databases for tracking corrective actions Information from states currently evaluating or planning for FM</p>
<p>Measurement of Results: Written document describing the priorities with benchmarks for each. Trend report data and rankings of LEAs based on trend criteria.</p> <p>Protocols for each of the key indicator areas.</p> <p>Design of a database for tracking corrective action and method of using it for determining effectiveness.</p> <p>Outline with time for an evaluation plan for focused monitoring in Iowa.</p>	<p>Measurement Review Dates: January 2004</p> <p>June 2004</p> <p>July 2004</p> <p>September 2004</p>

Activities to reach result	Collaborators	Documentation of Activities	Implementation Dates
1. Conduct SEAP, along with other stakeholders, professional development activity(ies).	Jim Clark NCSEAM	Identified priorities with benchmarks	November 2003
2. Draft trend reports and sample selection criteria.	Jim Clark Jane Nell Luster	Data trend reports; rankings	October 2003
3. Examine protocols currently used in other states.	Jim Clark Sandy Schmitz	Protocols	January 2004
4. Discuss and develop protocols for priority areas.	Jim Clark Sandy Schmitz	Iowa priority area protocols	May 2004
5. Examine databases being used in	Jim Clark	Variety of database examples	February 2004

other states.	NCSEAM		
6. Develop corrective action database plan.	Jim Clark Sandy Schmitz	Plan for corrective action database	July 2004
7. Write an outline for evaluating the focused monitoring system in Iowa.	Lana Michaelson Jim Clark NCSEAM	Written outline	September 2004
Resources needed to reach result:			

Work Plan Developers:

Names:

Titles/Agencies: