

Talking Points

Early Intervention Policies and Procedures -Early Intervention Personnel

All Early Intervention staff are “Qualified”. The term “Qualified Professional” has been eliminated. There is a difference regarding what services can be provided by EI staff considered Level I and Level II.

All Staff and contractors must meet state qualifications which have been updated to include:

- Board Certified Behavior Analyst as Level II
- Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst as Level II
- Educator with an Early Intervention Certificate as Level II
- Speech and Language Support Personnel include SLPA’s

Hiring Policies and Procedures have been updated to include:

- A staffing report must be provided to the Lead Agency at least quarterly
- Personnel information for employees and all contractors must be available on site
- Introduction to EI course is required for all staff providing EI services. Contracted staff may be offered an alternative method approved by the Lead Agency
- All staff must have an annual professional development plan tied to the Rhode Island Early Intervention Competencies. Supervisors must have a professional development plan tied to the Rhode Island Early Intervention Supervisor Competencies
- Supervision must be provided in alignment with the Rhode Island Early Intervention Supervisor Competencies (Participation in the Monthly Supervisor Seminar or approval of professional development/ experience related to reflective supervision has been eliminated from this section. Supervisor Competencies include reflective supervision as a component.)