News Flash

SIRAS Updates Training with Michael Brown February 17 1:00-3:00.

Training Objectives:

• Preparation for Transition Meetings
• Next Year’s data
• Electronic Signature
• Questions and Answers

Event to be recorded and located on SBCSELPA YouTube Channel.

Reminders

*Get Ready for Spring ELA, Math, Science and EL testing

SBAC, ELPAC and Alternate ELPAC supports have been updated by the CDE and are now in SIRAS. Changes to the menus in SIRAS are documented on the CAASPP and ELPAC UDA 20-21 menus, available in added forms.

To assist the team in determining whether the student will take an alternate to the SBAC or ELPAC, utilize the Alternate Assessment Decision Worksheet 2020, also in added forms.

Start reviewing your SBAC/CAA/ELPAC data in SIRAS and schedule IEPs needed to make necessary changes prior to the data exports to TOMS.

*Signature Links from completed meetings

Check your incoming messages on the homepage to see if signature links from your completed meetings have been received in SIRAS. If the IEP meeting is complete, finalize the meeting.

*Forgotten SIRAS password

Forgotten your SIRAS Password? A Password Reset button will appear upon typing an incorrect password. A link will be sent to you via email to change your password.
New Features/ Updates in SIRAS

‘Parent Response’ Help Sheet

‘Parent Response’ help sheet provides more information about IEPs finalized as “Parent Contacted, No Response.” This help sheet is located in the IEP Manager after selecting the blue question mark.

Updates for All Users

Personnel Supports now List-able and Search-able
The Personnel Supports fields on the [IEP 8] Supplemental Aids and Transportation form now mapped for any future IEPs. The supports will be located, but not part of, the services.

Triennial/Reevaluation – no Annual Review
For the SELPAs who disassociate the Evaluation with the Annual Review, that option will be available prior to the creation of the meeting. That option should be used sparingly so that the Annual Review and the 3-year evaluation can be synced.

Progress Report Comments
The COVID-19 reasons for ‘Reason not met’ and for Goals Comments have been removed from the Progress Report section.

“Parent Contacted, No Response” will soon be an option added in the dropdown for Parent Response. This will archive the IEP in the IEP Manager and generate a meeting record for CALPADS, so that CDE will know that an IEP meeting was held. The new Parent Response will give the ability to search for meetings where no signatures have been received. If the parent later returns the form with written consent, upload the signed form to the SIRAS record and change the parent response to “Accepts the plan” in the IEP Manager and notify your SIRAS Data administrator. The SIRAS Data administrator will confirm that any changes to the student’s MIS data are properly documented in current and archived records.
Administrators and MIS Clerks

Reminders

Continue practicing ongoing data monitoring procedures. This includes:

- addressing Errors/Warnings in SIRAS and in CALPADS View Submissions
- sending data to CALPADS weekly
- moving meeting statuses toward finalizing (using Meeting Reports in SIRAS)
- checking your Pending Referrals List
- archiving records with Parental Consent
- reviewing Statistical Reports from SIRAS (including Eligible records unreported to CALPADS).

See the SIRAS4Admins Padlet for a complete list of Data Monitoring Procedures.

Review the Overdue Monitoring Report (16.8) from CALPADS. Follow up IEP teams and in SIRAS to make sure the missing data gets to CALPADS in a timely fashion.

Instructions can be found on the 16.8 Help Sheet posted on SIRAS4CALPADS Padlet.

Email: support@sirassystems.com

Issues concerning bugs on forms; SIRAS procedures; troubleshooting questions; IEP Manager; configuration issues; MIS Summary page; CASEMIS and other general questions.

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