

**South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control  
Compliance Agreement  
AREA 3: CHILD EVALUATION COMPLIANCE WORK PLAN**

**AREA OF NON-COMPLIANCE:** DHEC does not ensure that all infants and toddlers are evaluated in all 5 developmental areas in the required timeframe.

**BASELINE DATA:**

**1. CIMP Self-Assessment Report – December 2000:**

- a. Need to decrease waiting times for evaluations was noted; and
- b. Developmental domain assessments were not conducted on all infants and toddlers that were referred prior to the initial IFSP.

**2. OSEP Monitoring Report – Onsite Visit February 2002:**

- a. Evaluations and assessments were not completed in all five developmental areas;
- b. Outcomes on initial IFSP were limited to future referrals for further evaluation and assessment;
- c. Infants and toddlers were not evaluated in the areas of vision and hearing;
- d. Evaluations and assessments were not completed within the 45-day timeline;
- e. There were waiting lists for evaluations and assessments; and
- f. Shortages of providers in some areas affected completion of evaluations and assessments in a timely manner.

**3. BabyTrac Data:**

- a. Data indicates continued delays in meeting 45-day requirement – June 2003.

**OUTCOME:** DHEC will ensure that infants and toddlers receive timely comprehensive evaluations in all five developmental areas to enable the initial IFSP team meeting to be convened within 45 calendar days from referral.

**Goal 1:** DHEC will ensure that evaluations and assessments are completed in all five developmental areas – cognitive development, physical development, including vision and hearing, communication development, social or emotional development and adaptive development.

**Goal 2:** DHEC will ensure that infants and toddlers receive timely evaluations and assessments in order to enable the initial IFSP team meeting to be convened within 45 calendar days from referral and eliminate waiting lists for evaluations and assessments.

\*The finding numbers referenced here correspond to the summary of OSEP's findings on page 1 of this chart.  
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