



Agenda

- 3:00 Introductions and ZOOM Webinar reminders
- 3:05 Updates for Early Childhood special education

Webinar Reminders

- ❖ If you have questions during the webinar, please ask them by clicking on the question button.
- ❖ If you are experiencing any technical difficulties, please let us know by clicking on the chat button.
- ❖ You can hear us, but we are not able to see or hear you .
- ❖ This call will be recorded and placed on the ADE EC webpage.

1. LEA Conference Data

- Conferences held for students currently eligible for special education services, including Kindergarten transitions. Not referrals from CHMS centers.

2. EC Reporting

- Co-ops will upload a report of the resident district and home addresses for all EC children in the Co-op MySPED account as soon as they submit Cycle 4 in December 2019.
 - ADE will create a Cognos report for this purpose
- The ADE Data and Research unit will upload this information to the resident district MySped accounts by early January.
- Districts have until January 20, 2020 to verify information through MySped.
- Co-ops can make additional corrections in MySped by February 1, 2020.

3. Paraprofessional in EIDT centers

- When a paraprofessional in an EDIT center provides special education services on behalf of a LEA, the paraprofessional must have completed the six (6) ADE required professional development modules in IDEAS.
- The modules need to be facilitated by a licensed teacher.

- Contact Lisa Johnson at ADE - lisa.johnson@arkansas.gov, or Margaret Ford at DHS - margaret.ford@dhs.arkansas.gov for questions,

4. Commissioner's Memo-

Clarification Regarding Kindergarten Waiver and SPED Services

- [LS-19-092](#)
- Provides clarification to Commissioner's Memo [COM-09-185](#)

5. Early Childhood Autism Eligibility

- Arkansas regulation does not specifically require a medical diagnosis of Autism to be eligible for IDEA services. Regulations state:“Physical Examination; specialized if indicated.”

Questions ?