



KEIS FIRST FRIDAY FOCUS

February 2024

A place where you can get quick updates that spotlight what’s going on in Kentucky’s Early Intervention System (KEIS) through the listserv on the first Friday of every month or on the Service Provider Information Page on the [KEIS website](#).

Didn’t Receive a 1099?

1099s should have been mailed by the end of January. 1099s are only sent to providers paid at least \$600 by KEIS during the 2023 tax year. The SLA is unable to access information about providers’ 1099s. If you have questions, please call the Kentucky Department of Revenue at 502-564-8639.

Provider Retention Payments

Provider retention payments were initially distributed in September 2023. Some providers received an initial split payment of \$250. After demonstrating fidelity and completing the initial maintenance period, the remaining \$250 payment will be made. Independent providers receive their payment directly. Multi-provider agencies receive a single payment based on the number of providers eligible for the retention payment.

Please note that payments are not automatically sent once a provider reaches fidelity. The state requires KEIS to process payments in large batches, and they cannot be sent individually. The CEITMP provides a quarterly list to the SLA of the providers who have met fidelity, for payments to be processed. If providers have questions about meeting fidelity, they should contact: ceitmp@louisville.edu. Questions not related to the coaching programs can be sent to chfs.firststeps@ky.gov.

You Make a Difference!

The State Lead Agency received the following quote from the family survey: *“I cannot say enough wonderful things about KEIS and what it has done for our family. As a first-time mom who just happened to have a medically complex child during the pandemic, I felt so isolated and had no idea where to even start with helping my son’s development. His DI started seeing him when he was a few months old and helped him and me in many ways. She gave me confidence and suggestions to help him thrive in what easily could have been a time when he remained stagnant because of what was going on in the world. Later, we added PT and SLP to his team, and his therapists worked with him and our family to get him in the best possible place before he turned three. I am going to miss them all so much and miss the progress that our child made with them. I know they have made every difference in his life, and we as a family are so thankful!”*

This is just one example of how early intervention impacts the children and families served through KEIS. Thank you for making a difference with children and families across the state throughout the year.

Statewide Rollout Plan for the CEITMP

The Coaching in Early Intervention Training and Mentorship Program’s (CEITMP) updated provider enrollment projected timelines are below. To learn more about the CEITMP, visit the KEIS webpage or contact coaches@louisville.edu.

Cohort	Participation Months/Year
22	May – December 2024
23	January – August 2025
24	May – December 2025
25	January – August 2026
26	May – December 2026

Provider Contract Renewal

Current contracts expire June 30, 2024. Contract renewal will begin in early spring and be completed via DocuSign again this year. Please understand there will be additional documentation required with this renewal due to updated policies and forms. For example, the revised Code of Ethics will require new signatures from everyone within an agency. Stay tuned for the State Lead Agency’s announcement of contract changes, information needed for renewal, timelines, etc.

Contacting the KEIS State Lead Agency

There are three separate email accounts to help streamline responses.

General assistance: chfs.firststeps@ky.gov

Billing questions: chfsfirststepsbilling@ky.gov

Provider enrollment or information changes: fsproviderenrollment@ky.gov .



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