



KEIS FIRST FRIDAY FOCUS

January 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](#).

1099s

All KEIS providers should verify their mailing address in [Kentucky's Vendor Self Service System](#) so the 1099 will be mailed to the correct location. 1099s will be mailed at the end of the month. Remember that 1099s are only sent to providers paid at least \$600 by KEIS during the 2023 tax year. The State Lead Agency is unable to access information about providers’ 1099s. If you have questions, please call the Kentucky Department of Revenue at 502-564-8639.

Billing Reminder

With the start of the new year, the billing staff has two pertinent reminders to expedite payment for early intervention services:

- Check with families to see if their insurance coverage has changed for 2024. Provide any updates to the Service Coordinator so it can be updated on TOTS.
- All Agency Administrators must provide the State Lead Agency with updated documentation of all attempts to become in-network with insurance companies on their caseloads annually.

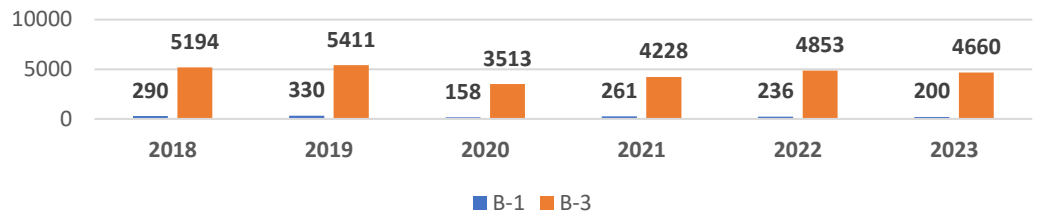
Provider Reported Caregiver Coaching and Web of Support Outcomes

The CEITMP aims to enhance providers’ knowledge and implementation of caregiver coaching while also connecting providers to build a web of support. Survey feedback from providers who completed the CEITMP in the first four years showed:

- 92% reflected on their practices in the context of recommended practices.
- 66% rated their caregiver coaching knowledge at an advanced level after completing the CEITMP, representing a significant increase over baseline.
- 74% indicated group meetings, phone calls, and texts during the CEITMP helped connect them with EI colleagues.
- 100% demonstrated fidelity to caregiver coaching.

Child Find

December 1 Federal Child Count



Identifying and serving infants and toddlers with disabilities and developmental delays is the primary purpose of KEIS. Kentucky was on the right trajectory to increase the number of young children and their families before the pandemic. The COVID-19 national state of emergency ended in May, so now is the time to focus with intention on Child Find. Jami McLemore recently joined the state team as an Outreach Coordinator. Jami has experience working with community resources to connect services for families through her work in a local health department and DPH. She will work with POE Managers, Parent Consultant Karen McCracken, and stakeholders to develop regional plans that include steps for implementation.

Contacting the State Lead Agency

KEIS State Lead Agency staff are available to support and assist KEIS providers. 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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