



## WEEKLY UPDATE – APRIL 1, 2010

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### ***ACTION NEEDED***

#### **CONTRACT AMENDMENTS (With Attachment)**

Contract amendment time is upon us! Attached is a draft Attachment I for 2010-2011 Early Steps contract amendments. Your review and feedback is requested. [This is your opportunity to make changes prior to execution of the amendment for an effective date of July 1.](#) Please submit comments to [d\\_trejo@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:d_trejo@doh.state.fl.us) by close of business, April 14.

### ***INFORMATION AND RESOURCES***

#### **FRS UPDATE (With Attachment)**

Every Local Early Steps is now in compliance with at least 1.0 Family Resource Specialists.

We welcome the new FRS's from the following areas:  
Gold Coast - Audrey Evans and Fatima Rodrigues  
Treasure Coast - Kerry Cavallo and Stacey Tirello  
Gulf Central - Kelly Shamsey  
Northeastern - Melanie Provenza

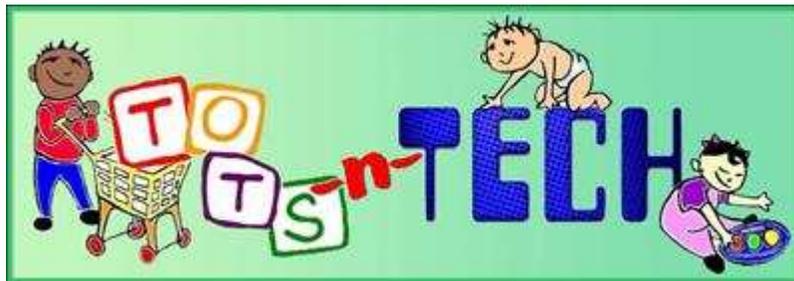
Family Resource Specialist Orientation has begun in several of these areas and will continue until completed. Please contact Sue Cannon at 321 725-5763 or Sue\_Cannon@doh.state.fl.us if you need further information on Family Resource Specialists or FRS Orientation.

## MEDICAID FISCAL AGENT NAME TRANSITION FROM EDS TO HP

The Medicaid fiscal agent for Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency) has officially changed their corporate name. Formerly known Electronic Data Systems, LLC (EDS), the new name, **HP Enterprise Services, LLC (HP)**, is effective immediately.

Please use the fiscal agent's new name, **HP Enterprise Services, LLC**, in all future correspondence and communications. All related contact information previously affiliated with EDS such as, but not limited to: addresses, telephone numbers and personnel information, will remain unchanged.

Regarding historical documentation, all references to EDS as the fiscal agent are now synonymous with HP. The fiscal agent's new name will transition with each subsequent revision and document created. Please advise all concerned managers and staff.



[The following email is being shared with Local Early Steps](#)

You all may remember the **T-n-T Self-Assessment** from last year when we asked Part C Coordinators to recruit EI agency directors to complete this survey in order to get a snapshot of how states were doing in four areas related to Assistive Tech (AT): Evaluation, IFSP, Use & Implementation, & Systems Supports. Results have been distributed and are posted on <http://tnt.asu.edu>.

We would like to conduct a 2<sup>nd</sup> round with the **Self-Assessment** and would appreciate your forwarding this link to agency directors, regional coordinators, school district EI heads – whomever is appropriate in your state but not to direct service providers such as therapists or teachers or families/caregivers.

The link below may be used to complete the 20-minute self-assessment. Please remember that the accuracy of your state's results is related to the number of appropriate people who respond so please try to encourage your folks to do this.

<http://tnt.asu.edu/complete-at-self-assessment>. Enter the password tntsa\_2010.

Thanks so much and be sure to visit <http://tnt.asu.edu> for more information and resources about using AT with infants and toddlers. We have improved the website in the last few months and added many new resources.

Thanks – Pip Campbell ([pipcamp@aol.com](mailto:pipcamp@aol.com))

## NECTAC NEWS

For the current issue of NECTAC eNotes go to <http://www.nectac.org/enotes/enotes.asp>

### *UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS*

#### QUARTERLY FICCIT MEETING

APRIL 13-14, 2010

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(With Attachment)