

**2024-2025 Early Head Start Policy Index**

| | | Change Required? | Description of Change made to current Policy |
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| Disabilities | | | |
| 1 | Individualized Education Program (IEP) for Children with Disabilities | Yes | Increased days to review IFSP with Service Providers from 10 to 15 |
| 3 | Children With Developmental Delays Who Do Not Qualify for Special Education Services | Yes | Added with parent/guardian consent for ECI re evaluation |
| Education and Early Childhood Development | | | |
| 1 | Home Visits/ Parent Conferences | Yes | Clarification regarding home visits and parent conferences. |
| 11 | Discipline and Guidance | Yes | Additional guidance related discipline and guidance. |
| Environmental Health and Safety | | | |
| 2 | Class and Group Size Requirements | Yes | Clarified policy to only include information related to class size requirements. |
| 8 | Staffing and Supervision | Yes | Name Change - Added staffing requirements from Environmental Health & Safety Policy 2. |
| Health Services | | | |
| 1 | Immunization Requirements | Yes | Removed CDC and added State Vaccine REquirments for Child-Care, updated HSPS in reference section |
| Home Based | | | |
| 3 | Home Visitor's Caseloads | Yes | Reduced caseload number from 12 families to 8 children. |
| Program Design and Management (PDM) | | | |
| 2 | Standards of Conduct | Yes | Added language for Standards of Conduct to be reviewed annually and documentaion kept in staff file. |
| 9 | Critical Incident Reporting | Yes | Provided additional guidance related to reporting requirements. |
| 10 | Personnel | Yes | Provided additional guidance related to reporting new hire information. |
| 11 | Program Governance | Yes | Provided additional guidance related to new procedure regarding what is shared with the Head Start Policy Council and Advisory Committee. |
| 18 | Program Data- Access and Security | Yes | Clarification regarding communication and confidentiality. |
| 19 | Management of Program Data | Yes | Clarification regarding communication and confidentiality. |
| 21 | Responsibility of fees related to injuries | New | New policy related to medical bills. |
| 22 | Program Services | New | New policy after revising Enviornmental Health & Safety Policy 2 and clarification on services and hours. |