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EI SNAPSHOT EHDI Coordinator Interview Questions

Pre-Interview Collection of Data (ask State to verify as part of interview)

- Governance structure: Which department houses EHDI? How are Part C and EHDI connected structurally?
- Eligibility criteria for Part C related to hearing loss.

Information Request (before or after interview)

- Written or electronic materials provided to families of children upon failed screening and upon D/HH diagnosis.
- List of the membership of the EHDI advisory council or other collaborative board/council by organization.

Interview Questions

- 1. Describe the referral process from the state's EHDI program to Part C.
 - a. When is the referral made? (after screening? After diagnosis?)
 - b. Who makes the referral?
 - c. How is the referral made (to state Part C system? To local/regional program?)
 - d. Are there points at which break downs occur?
- 2. Is it possible for you to track the infants/toddlers/children are identified as D/HH that are receiving EI services? If yes, please describe.
- 3. Does Part C cover the cost of audiological evaluations? Is obtaining an audiological evaluation a barrier?
- 4. Describe any services available in your state for infants/toddlers/children who are D/HH who do not qualify for Part C.
- 5. Does the EHDI program routinely provide information to families about EI, specifically:
 - a. Language modalities
 - b. Audiology
 - c. Potential services available through Part C
 - d. Other public or private services
 - e. Parent-to-parent supports (such as a deaf mentor programs or private organizations)
- 6. Besides EHDI, who is providing families with this information and what are they providing?
- 7. Does EHDI routinely provide any technical assistance to
 - a. Part C service providers including service coordinators
 - b. Family to family support organizations, such as Family Voices?
- 8. What structures or systems are in place to support communication and coordination among EHDI and EI? Are family leaders partners as well?
- 9. What are the strengths in your state for ensuring infants and toddlers who are D/HH receive early intervention?
- 10. What challenges does your state face in ensuring infants and toddlers who are D/HH receive early intervention?
 - a. At a state level?
 - b. At a local level?
 - c. For specific types/populations of families?

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