

## GENERAL SUPERVISION SYSTEM UPDATE

At last year's Back to School Meeting, the Bureau of Special Education (BSE) introduced new guidance from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) with regard to reporting the correction of noncompliance. Over the last few months, OSEP shared additional guidance with state educational agencies (SEAs). In addition, OSEP recently announced its plans to provide further guidance in this area during the 2010-11 school year.

In response to OSEP's guidance, the BSE began an extensive review of this new federal guidance and the Connecticut State Department of Education's (CSDE) policies and procedures in reporting the correction of noncompliance. Below is a summary of the actions a local educational agency (LEA) and the CSDE must complete in order to report the correction of noncompliance.

One of the BSE's priorities for the 2010-11 school year is to review and revise, as necessary, the CSDE's General Supervision System to align the system with OSEP's recent guidance. To this end, the BSE plans to provide LEAs additional information and resources to support their role in the CSDE's General Supervision System. If you should have any questions, please contact Sarah E. Harvey at [sarah.harvey@ct.gov](mailto:sarah.harvey@ct.gov) or 860-713-6936.

### SUMMARY: REPORTING THE CORRECTION OF NONCOMPLIANCE

#### Timely Correction

OSEP defines the "timely correction" of noncompliance as an LEA's correction of noncompliance and the SEA's subsequent verification of the LEA's correction of noncompliance. Both actions shall occur as soon as possible and in no case more than one year from the SEA's notification of noncompliance to the LEA.

#### LEA Correction of Noncompliance

In order to correct instances of **noncompliance identified under the SPP/APR or systemic noncompliance**, an LEA must:

- review and revise any noncompliant policies, procedures and/or practices (PPPs),
- implement specific regulatory requirement(s) correctly, and
- correct each individual case of child-specific noncompliance.

In order to correct instances of individual cases of **child-specific noncompliance**, an LEA must:

- correct each individual case of child-specific noncompliance, and
- if appropriate, review and revise any noncompliant PPPs.
  - Typically, correction of child-specific noncompliance should occur within 60-90 calendar days of the CSDE's notification of noncompliance to the LEA.

#### CSDE Verification of Noncompliance

In order to verify correction of **noncompliance identified under the SPP/APR or systemic noncompliance**, the CSDE must:

- review any revised LEA PPPs,
- ensure the LEA's correct implementation of the specific regulatory requirement(s) via review of updated data, and
- ensure the correction of each individual case of child-specific noncompliance via review of a reasonable sample of data/files.

In order to verify correction of individual cases of **child-specific noncompliance**, the CSDE must:

- ensure the correction of each individual case of child-specific noncompliance via review of updated data, and
- review any revised LEA PPPs.