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| A) At least 58% of children exiting the First Steps system will have substantially increased their rate of growth in knowledge & skills by the time of exit  
B) At least 55% of children exiting the First Steps system will substantially increase their use of appropriate behaviors to meet their needs by the time of exit. | They have the foundation to continue learning about the world around them during their early childhood years. |

**Strategy update from last quarter:**
There is no APR Child Outcome Skill Inventory trainings scheduled at this time as the Agencies do not have any newly hired staff that have been serving children for 3+ months and have not already had the training. However, ESRC videotaped their initial training. New providers will watch the video and sign a document confirming they have watched it. Lisa Fisher, SLP is also AEPS trained and will offer support to providers in need of assistance. Michael Conn Powers presented SSIP data at the March 12, 2015 LPCC meeting. Agencies will review the APR Child Outcome Skill Inventory and discuss the information provided during the SSIP presentation at their next provider meeting. Agencies will conduct annual “refresher” trainings.

SPOE Supervisor asked Agencies at the most recent Agency Meeting, June 11, 2015 to remind providers to indicate if the child has made progress when completing the APR Child Outcome Inventory. Agencies were under the impression the AT made that decision based on the entrance and exit scores. However, Michael Conn Powers clarified with SPOE Supervisor on May 13th, 2015-it is the provider’s responsibility to indicate progress.

**Explanation of Data:**
A) Quarterly Data (35.4%): this is a 17.7% decrease since the last quarter.

B) Quarterly Date (36.1%): cluster fell out of compliance this quarter.

Cluster I East Manager reported some providers are not completing the APR Child Outcome Inventory to its entirety, but instead only completing the areas they are addressing.

All four Agencies held training on APR Child Outcome Inventory and AEPS scoring as they felt providers were scoring children too high/lax after Michael Conn Powers’ presentation (03/12/15) showing Cluster I’s exit scores being particularly high in some areas. Agency representatives now fear providers are being too lenient.

**Strategies (Who is responsible/timeline/evaluation):**
If newly hired providers need training on the APR Child Outcome Inventory and continuing support, then:

1) Agencies will continue to provide training on the APR Child Outcome Inventory to newly hired staff within 3 months after they start providing services to children.

2) Agencies will review the inventory process at their quarterly provider meetings and provide opportunities for further education as needed.

**Evaluation:** Agencies will report their trainings at the quarterly Agency Meeting. All providers will gain more knowledge and experience on the APR Child Outcome Inventory and the data will improve.
It was also unclear on who is responsible for deciding if the child has made progress. It is possible the AT member completing the exit scores or the Coordinator completing the exit summary scoring section indicated “no progress” based solely on the entrance and exit scores when in fact the child has made progress.

**Evaluation:** Agencies will continue to discuss this data at provider meetings and provide annual “refresher” trainings. Surveys will be conducted at that time to measure the effectiveness of the trainings.

**List barriers to accomplishing strategies and how to address them:**

1) Providers who are not comfortable scoring areas outside their specific discipline or that do not regularly attend provider meetings when the information is provided.

**Resources needed:**

- [ ] State Clarification
- [ ] IIDC
- [ ] Training
- [ ] Mentoring
- [ ] Other: ____________________________________________________________________

**Stakeholder Collaboration:** Data was not available at the June 11, 2015 Agency and Cluster Meeting. The final Second Quarter QIPs were given to the LPCC members present at the full Cluster LPCC meeting on 03/12/15. SPOE supervisor emailed data to the Agencies, LPCC Coordinator, Manager, and Director 06/25/15 for input. All 4 Agency Representatives attribute the decrease to recent training on AEPS scoring and applying those same skill set expectations when scoring the APR Child Outcome Inventory. Agencies expected this decrease as many providers reported they were scoring too easy prior to the training.