

New Indicator 7 Child Outcomes Application Preparing for the Change

- A new Indicator 7 application will be released for use beginning in the 2016-17 school year.
 - The new Indicator 7 application will replace both the Child Outcome Summary Form (COSF) and the current Child Outcomes reporting application.

- The new application will be based on the Child Outcomes Decision Tree.
 - Rating teams will use the application in real-time as the rating process is discussed.
 - The user will be led through the rating process by responding to the decision tree questions.
 - A child's rating will be determined by the responses provided by the user.

- The child's Wisconsin Student Number (WSN) will be part of the child's record.

- There will be a **heightened emphasis** on providing the "**evidence**" of how a child is functioning at Age-Expected (AE), Immediate Foundational (IF) and/or Foundational (F) levels, and, evidence of how the child is functioning across a variety of settings in his world.

- The new application will use a lock and submit process similar to other DPI applications utilizing access roles.

Recommendations to help prepare for the new application

- Review how your team is completing the Child Outcomes Summary Process.
 - Does the team use an age-anchoring assessment tool, both for entry and exit outcomes, when determining the age-level functioning of the child?
 - Does the team consider the child's functioning across a variety of settings in the child's life?

- Practice discussing and documenting the "evidence" of the age-level(s) of the child's functioning: Age-expected (AE), Immediate Foundational (IF), Foundational (F).

- If needed, enhance the team's use of an age-anchoring assessment tool.

- If needed, enhance the team's functional assessment practices; particularly the process of gathering information from parents about the child's functioning across settings and also observing children across settings.

- Review your internal process for ensuring entry and exit outcomes are provided for all children, including those children who exit unexpectedly.

- Timely complete all 2015-16 child entry and exit outcomes using the current application.