



# Early Intervention Monitoring Program

**IPRO's Early Intervention (EI) Monitoring Program Helps to Ensure that Eligible Infants, Toddlers and their Families have Access to Timely, Consistent and Appropriate Services and Administrative Processes.**

**IPRO Brings Strong Expertise and Customized Solutions to Address Statewide Early Intervention Monitoring**

For more than **16** years, IPRO has conducted more than **7,700** Early Intervention monitoring reviews at more than **4,200** provider locations across **62** counties in New York State.

## Program Description

Under Part C of the Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) created by Congress in 1986, states are responsible for ensuring that infants and toddlers with disabilities receive appropriate early intervention (EI) services available to them under state and federal law. State EI monitoring programs help to assure both the quality and value of these services.

## Background

IPRO's comprehensive EI monitoring program conducts reviews across New York State to assure appropriate service delivery to eligible infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families, based on State and Federal standards.

Key elements of the IPRO solution for EI monitoring include the following:

- Pre-review activities, including administering self-assessments of providers and responsible municipalities, as well as managing parent surveys;
- On-site review, including staff interviews, entrance and exit conferences, selection and review of child records, direct observation of facilities and examination of documentation and billing information.
- Production of written reports of findings based on specific criteria developed by the NYS Department of Health;
- Analysis and approval of required corrective action plans; and
- Offering technical assistance, via hotlines staffed by experienced EI professionals.

IPRO's highly trained EI monitoring team includes individuals with exceptional experience in all aspects of the EI monitoring process and state and federal guidelines, including administration and fiscal management.





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## Solutions

Since 2002, IPRO has been continuously evaluating the quality of EI services, having conducted more than 7,700 reviews of 4,200 municipal, agency and individual providers across New York State as well as 58 local government administrators of the EI program.

EI services provided by IPRO include the following:

- Development of EI assessment criteria, protocols, tools, reports and report language;
- Development, maintenance and modification of a comprehensive web-based system designed to digitally manage data collection and reporting;
- On-site assessment of EI provider services, including early identification and referral of health and safety issues that place children in imminent danger;
- Provision of technical assistance to providers;
- Review and assessment of EI provider credentials;
- Evaluation of corrective action plans submitted by providers, including drafting responses; and
- Offering regular and ad hoc monitoring reports.

## Value

- Over 30 years of experience in program oversight, collaborating with state government.
- More than five staff members with greater than 90 combined years of statewide EI monitoring experience, including program administrators, registered nurses, special educators, and social workers.
- Development of data collection tools and applications for comprehensive tracking, management and reporting on all elements of EI monitoring activities.
- Compliance with FERPA and New York State Early Intervention regulations.



## IPRO brings policy ideas to life

IPRO helps clients realize better health through its organizational competencies. We

- Support state and federal government agency problem solving
- Foster consensus among varied stakeholders for quality improvement action
- Evaluate and select most appropriate methodologies to investigate clinical quality problems
- Facilitate collaborative provider education and action
- Harness information technology to drive quality improvement
- Build and apply quality measures
- Collect and analyze data on large scale
- Create tools to assess performance

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