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Srbui Ovsepian, Executive Director
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3303 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 700
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Dear Srbui Ovsepian:

This letter is to convey the results of the Department of Developmental Services' (Department) review of the Early Start Program at Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center (FDLRC). This review was conducted through the Department's Self-Assessment Monitoring (SAM) system July 21, 2025, through September 9, 2025, to ensure that California meets Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requirements.

FDLRC completed a self-assessment of 80 records. This consisted of 40 regular records and 40 transition records. The Department verified the documentation and compliance for each of the 80 records. The following items were subsequently cleared through the pre-finding correction process:

- Initial Evaluations,
- Timely Initial Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP),
- Services provide in a Natural Environment,
- Location of services is specified on the IFSP, and
- Timely Local Educational Agency (LEA) Notification

FDLRC completed the required actions for each of the identified findings and the Department considers this matter closed as of September 9, 2025. The details are in the enclosed monitoring report.

Thank you for your cooperation during the monitoring review of FDLRC's Early Start program and your commitment to serve children and families. If you have any questions, please contact Reyna Ambriz, Early Start Branch Manager, at (916) 651-0364, or by email at Reyna.Ambriz@dds.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Deputy Director
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Enclosure

cc: Brigitte Sroujieh, Board President, FDLRC
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 Frank Lara, FDLRC

EARLY START MONITORING REPORT SUMMARY
FRANK D. LANTERMAN REGIONAL CENTER

DATE OF REVIEW: JULY 21, 2025 – SEPTEMBER 9, 2025
 FINAL REPORT DATE: JANUARY 6, 2025

ITEMS AT 100% COMPLIANCE				
	REQUIREMENT	RECORDS IN COMPLIANCE	TOTAL RECORDS REVIEWED	COMPLIANCE PERCENTAGE
R1	Obtained written parental consent for evaluation/assessment. 34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Sections 303.321(a) and 303.420(a)(2)	40	40	100%
R3	Initial assessment for service planning identified unique strengths and service needs in all five developmental domains, including hearing, vision, and health, prior to the initial IFSP. 34 CFR, Sections 303.21, 303.24, 303.310, 303.321 and Title 14, California Early Intervention Services Act (CEISA) Section 95014	40	40	100%
R4	Written notice of the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) meeting. 34 CFR, Section 303.342(d)(2)	40	40	100%
R6	Timely provision of services 34 CFR, Sections 303.344(f)(1) and 303.420(b)(2) Title 17, California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 52109(b)	40	40	100%
R7	The IFSP included the frequency and length for all early intervention services. 34 CFR, Section 303.344(d)(1)(i)	40	40	100%

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T1	The IFSP included timely transition steps and services. 34 CFR, Sections 303.209(d) & (e) and 303.344(h)	40	40	100%
T3	Transition Conference occurred in a timely manner and the Local Educational Agency (LEA) was invited to the transition meeting. 34 CFR, Section 303.209(c)(1)	40	40	100%

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R2	Initial evaluation determined the infant's or toddler's level of functioning in all developmental domains, including hearing, vision, and health. 34 CFR, Sections 303.21, 303.24, 303.310, 303.321 and Title 14, CEISA Section 95014	39	40	97.50%	■	■	100%
R5	Initial IFSP meeting was conducted within the 45-day timeline. 34 CFR, Sections 303.310 and 303.342(a)	39	40	97.50%	■	■	100%
R8	Early intervention services are provided in the natural environment or the IFSP contains an appropriate justification when services are not provided in a natural environment. 34 CFR, Sections 303.26, 303.126 and 303.344(d)(1)(ii)	39	40	97.50%	■	■	100%
O4	Location of all services is specified on the IFSP. 34 CFR, Section 303.344(d)(1)(iii)	39	40	97.50%	■	■	100%

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T2	Timely notification to the LEA. 34 CFR, Sections 303.209(b) and 303.401(d)	39	40	97.50%	■	■	100%

Key:

R – “Regular” corresponds to the Regular Review Tool item, followed by the number of the Regular Review Tool item (ex.- R1 refers to the Regular Review Tool item number 1).

T – “Transition” corresponds to the Transition Review Tool item, followed by the number of the Transition Review Tool item (ex.- T3 refers to the Transition Review Tool item number 3).

O – “Other” refers to an additional finding, not included in the Regular or Transition review tools.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

The Department encourages FDLRC to review available technical assistance resources related to the IFSP. These resources include but are not limited to:

- Early Start Service Coordinator's Handbook: <https://earlystartneighborhood.org/resources/resources-for-early-start-personnel/service-coordination-handbook/>
- IFSP Resources through the Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center: <https://ectacenter.org/topics/ifsp/ifspprocess.asp>
- Educational & Developmental Intervention Services - IFSP Process Guidance Handbook:
<https://ectacenter.org/eco/assets/pdfs/EDISIFSPProcessGuidanceHandbook.pdf>