

**MISSISSIPPI COUNTY, ARKANSAS E.O.C.
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

RECRUITMENT OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES
§ 45 CFR 1302.60

GOAL STATEMENT- MCAEOC will strive for excellence by enhancing educational services to support school readiness of children that will maximize their potential to enter kindergarten with a solid foundation for reading success.

POLICY:

The grantee must incorporate specific activities to actively locate and recruit children with disabilities ages six weeks to five years of age.

PURPOSE: To ensure that at least ten percent of the enrollment opportunities are made available to children with disabilities.

PROCEDURES:

1. Public announcements.
2. Follow-up from the Community Needs Assessment.
3. Receive referrals from other agencies such as Department of Human Services Health Departments, Crowley's Ridge Education Service Cooperative, First Connections, FOCUS, parents, pediatricians, and other private professionals.
4. Child Find posters and flyers will be posted throughout the service areas.
5. All staff will receive training concerning federal legislation regarding non-discriminatory recruitment of children with disabilities and Head Start's commitment of providing accessible facilities for disabled children and their families.
6. Recruitment materials state clearly that the program seeks and serves children with disabilities including children with severe disabilities.