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RFA Questions and Answers

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Questions and Answers *(list all questions and answers in numerical order)*

1. Question: Is the RFA also responsible for reimbursing families who have paid for Early Intervention services in excess of their monthly cost share?

Answer: Yes, the awarding agency will be responsible for reimbursing families who paid for the cost of Early Intervention services over the agreed family cost share.

2. Is it expected for the awarding agency to find new resources for transportation and respite?

Answer: No, however, the awarding agency is expected to meet the families' needs for transportation and respite. An enrolled child/family may continue using their current mode of transportation or respite provider or may work with the agency in finding other available resources for these services. Reimbursement for transportation and respite services must be listed on the child/family Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) and authorized in writing by the CDSA. Types of authorized transportation can include mileage, bus fare, taxi fare, tolls, parking fees, etc and all require a receipt. Respite services are a time limited (32 hours per year) family support that enables parents to participate in or receive other early intervention services in order to meet the outcomes on the IFSP. For more information on these services you may refer to the Procedural Guidance document "Transportation and Respite" on our website:

<http://www.bearly.nc.gov/data/files/pdf/procs/TransportationRespite.pdf>

3. Where can data be found to show how many children are expected to be served each year?

Answer: There is no public data available for viewing related to the number of children/families expected to be served each year. Based on prior year's data, approximately 225 – 250 children/families' received reimbursement for AT, transportation, respite, and family partnership/leadership activities.

The contract administrator will work with the awarding agency to project the expected number of children served each year.

4. Does the \$191,000 budget include reimbursement to families' costs or just program costs?

Answer: The \$191,000 budget is the total budget and should include all cost for reimbursement and program cost.