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Guidance on Toileting Issue

Importance: High

Please be aware of this guidance that has been sent to us by the State ECEAP office:

ECEAP is designed for all children who meet the eligibility requirements based on family income, developmental factors, or environmental factors. Therefore, three and four-year old children who are eligible for ECEAP can not be denied services because they are not independently using the toilet. In fact, when a child of this age is in diapers, we should look closely for possible developmental delays or environmental risks. ECEAP is intended to support children and families who are most in need of services to ensure school success, and delayed toileting could be considered a risk factor.

When a child comes into ECEAP and is not independently toileting, staff should work closely with the family to make a plan to provide appropriate developmental supports and ensure sanitation.

We request that your contact your County Coordinator when you are working with a child in need of this support.

Please add this to your "Policies and Procedures Handbook."

Please let me know if you have any questions about this guidance.

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