

Tennessee's Part C, General Education Provisions Act (GEPA), Section 427 Statement  
Tennessee's Early Intervention System (TEIS)

The Department of Education in Tennessee is the lead agency for the Federal Part C program. Tennessee's Early Intervention System (TEIS) serves a culturally, and socio-economically diverse population of infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families across rural, suburban, and urban communities. Tennessee is strongly committed to equal access and treatment for all infants and toddlers and their families who are referred to, and served in, the Part C program, as well as, to the early intervention service providers and the general public. TEIS works with its local Point of Entry (POE) offices to assess and address any barriers, when identified, for early intervention service delivery for eligible infants and toddlers. The Lead Agency keeps its State Interagency Coordinating Council (SICC) informed of all relevant activities on behalf of the children and families served through TEIS. Tennessee ensures that Part C programs are a part of a State-wide system of early intervention services, and provides an environment free from discrimination and harassment based upon gender, race, national origin, color, disability or age.