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Subject: RE: question about ESE centers

Hi Mary Laura,

Good to hear from you. I had learned that you left JP II. Martha retired as well last summer.

All placement decisions are made by the individual educational plan (IEP) team. IEP teams are composed of both parents and school/district staff. In accordance with federal and state regulations, parents must be invited to participate in IEP meetings.

Consent for exceptional student education services happens one time – upon initial eligibility determination and following the development of the first IEP. After that, if the IEP team determines that the nature of the services needed by the child can most appropriately be provided in a special school setting – only prior written notice is required (unless of course it would be the circumstance of the initial provision of services.)

Hope this makes sense. Let me know if you need more information.

 Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail.

Sincerely,

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From: Mary Laura Bragg (MaryLaura@excelined.org) [mailto:MaryLaura@excelined.org]
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Hi Cathy,

I don't know if Martha told you or not, but I left JP II and am working for Patricia Levesque at the Foundation for Florida's Future. I miss school, but it is fun to be back in the policy world.

I have a quick (I hope) question for you:

In districts with ESE centers, do parents have to sign off on their child being placed in the center instead of their zoned school, or does the district get to decide what students are placed in centers? We are getting questions about the proposed school grading rule, and want to make sure we are giving the right answer.

Thanks,
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