

INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF MAINE'S EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Project Status Report: August 28, 2020

Project Status

Overall Status this Period:	Green
Overall Status last Period:	Green
Schedule Status Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project schedule and timeline amended to reflect contract amendment changes
Change Request Status Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contract amendment approved to adjust schedule, delivery, and scope
Budget Status Notes (if project not fixed price):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deliverable based/ Fixed Price. Project scope and budget amended to address identified risks

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#	Name	Status	Due Date	Responsible
Issues				
	None			
Risks				
1.	Potential resistance from provider community fully complete cost study.	Mitigation: Include key provider representatives in the review of cost tools and other input. Communicate regularly with larger provider group. Include Maine Leadership to assist in messaging to provider community.	Ongoing	PCG/Maine Leadership
2.	Potential availability of cost data on Part C and Part B-619.	Mitigation: Determine if any data is not available or partially available and determine workarounds.	Ongoing	PCG/Maine CDS/MaineCare

Key Accomplishments

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1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued data analysis 	PCG Team
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed initial findings presentation with Advisory Panel on 8/24 	PCG Team
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Began engaging with Districts / SAUs that provide early childhood special education (Part B-619 to gather additional data and information regarding funding. Districts / SAUs include: Portland, Biddeford, SAD 15, Lewiston 	PCG Team (with CDS introductions)

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4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with MaineCare to validate preliminary data analysis 	PCG & MaineCare

Project Schedule

#	Task Name	Start Date	Finish Date	Responsible
Task/s Finished Last month				
1	Present initial findings from data analysis	8/20/20	8/24/20	PCG
Overdue Tasks				
	N/A			
Tasks Starting Next Week / Continuations				
2	Analyze costs corresponding to data collected	8/6/2020	8/19/2020	PCG
3	Analyze cost differences among providers with different attributes (e.g., size, location)	8/6/2020	8/19/2020	PCG
4	Analyze success rates/outcomes for providers' fiscal outcomes	8/6/2020	8/19/2020	PCG
Major Ongoing Tasks				
1	Review of data and research	1/21/2020	Ongoing	PCG
Tasks Four Week Horizon				
1	Present initial recommendations to project leadership	9/4/2020	9/4/2020	PCG
2	Submit first draft of final cost study report for review	9/14/2020	9/14/2020	PCG

Deliverables Status

#	Deliverable	Status
1.	Maine CDS Cost Study Report due 9/25/2020	On track
2.	Phase I report due date changed from 4/1/2020 to 10/1/2020	On track
3.	Phase II Report due 12/1/2020	On track
4.	Presentation of Phase II Report to Joint Standing Committee 1/13/2021	On track
5.	Final Draft of market analysis approach, cost report, and training/data collection schedule submitted	Complete
6.	Submit draft communication to client contact	Complete
7.	Draft training materials	Complete
8.	Notify Providers of Cost Study	Complete
9.	Distribute cost tools to providers	Complete
10.	Conduct Provider trainings on cost tools	Complete

