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Procedures:

In support of implementation of Desired Results Developmental Profile® (DRDP) early childhood assessment system required by MARC Head Start Policy 4010; MARC Head Start will:

- Review direct service providers’ policies and procedures for ongoing child assessment and provide feedback.
- Provide 2-day trainings on DRDP.
- Acquire DRDP manuals and DRDP mini measures and distribute them to direct service providers.
- Update selection of *MARC DRDP Conditional Measures for Preschool* (Form 4010a) as needed, with input from direct service providers’ education managers and coordinators.
- Carry the contract for the Learning Genie® application, which will be used by direct service providers for portfolio development, rating of DRDP measures, and reporting of child outcomes data.
- Provide *MARC Guidelines for Entering Child Information in Learning Genie* (Form 4010b) to direct service providers.
- Support and monitor the implementation of DRDP for assessing children’s progress toward school readiness goals, the use of the Learning Genie application, and the reporting of child outcomes data by direct service providers.
- Provide *MARC Guidelines for Developing DRDP Data Reports* (Form 4010c) to direct service providers. Review DRDP Data Reports and provide feedback.
- Provide *MARC Guidelines for Transferring DRDP Ratings to PKOF* (Form 4010d).

For each Fall, Winter, and Spring DRDP Rating Period, MARC Head Start staff will:

- Work with direct service providers to establish rating period dates (Fall due date no later than November 15; Winter no later than March 1; Spring no later than June 30).

- Complete or monitor entry of rating periods, classroom or home-based educator information, and child information in Learning Genie (following current Learning Genie instruction manuals and *MARC Guidelines for Entering Child Information in Learning Genie*).
- Provide support and oversight for collection of evidence for DRDP Key Measures in each child's portfolio.
- Provide support and oversight for the DRDP Review, Reflect, and Rate process at the end of each rating period, and the locking of child records in Learning Genie.
- Support direct service providers in running classroom- and site-level Learning Genie reports and preparing DRDP Data Reports by November 30 for Fall, March 15 for Winter, and July 15 for Spring (following the *MARC Guidelines for DRDP Data Reports*).
- Support and monitor sharing of DRDP Data reports from all direct service providers with administrators, teaching and home visiting staff, governing bodies, and MARC HS education manager. Support administrators in using child outcomes data to plan for continuous program improvement. Support teaching and home visiting staff in using child outcomes data to plan for children's continued progress.
- Run grantee-wide Learning Genie Reports and prepare child outcomes data for all children as well as by criteria such as Kindergarten readiness, age, gender, Individualized Education Plans, and dual language learners.
- Support providers who have opted to use the Pre-Kindergarten Observation Form to do so following the *MARC Guidelines for Transferring DRDP to PKOF*.

Optional: For the Winter Rating Period, MARC Head Start staff will offer direct service providers with 9-month program years the option of taking a Check-In approach. If a provider chooses the Winter Check-In option, teaching teams will:

- Collect as much evidence in children's portfolios as possible during the Winter Rating Period.
- Complete the Review and Reflect and Rate if evidence has been collected for a DRDP measure during Winter.
- Keep Winter ratings the same as Fall ratings if no evidence has been collected for a DRDP measure during Winter.
- Plan for supporting children's progress and organize for collecting evidence for all DRDP measures during the Spring Rating Period.

Adherence to the above regulations and this policy is subject to random monitoring by MARC Head Start staff.

Effective Date: July 1, 2022