

NEIGHBORIMPACT HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START

Policy & Procedure

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Title: Transporting Students with Disabilities	Updated: 11/3/17
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Policy: The agency ensures that there are school buses or allowable alternate vehicles adapted or designed for transportation of children with disabilities available as necessary to transport such children enrolled in the program. Whenever possible, children with disabilities are transported in the same vehicles used to transport other children enrolled in the Head Start & Early Head Start program.

Purpose: To provide transportation services for children with disabilities.

Procedure:

- A. Each Head Start, Early Head Start and delegate agency must ensure compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.), the HHS regulations at 45 CFR part 84, implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), and the Head Start Program Performance Standards on Services for Children with Disabilities (45 CFR part 1308) as they apply to transportation services. A contract with the local School District ESD will be signed as used where applicable.

- B. The agency specifies any special transportation requirements for a child with a disability when preparing the child's Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP), and ensures that in all cases special transportation requirements in a child's IEP or IFSP are followed, including:
 - 1. special pick-up and drop-off requirements;
 - 2. special seating requirements;
 - 3. special equipment needs;
 - 4. any special assistance that may be required; and
 - 5. any special training for bus drivers and monitors.