

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

AABR	Automated auditory brainstem response (Hearing test)	CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	CI	Cochlear Implant
ACCESS	Associate Degree Early Childhood Teacher Educators	CMS	Center for Medicaid & Medicare Services
ACF	Administration for Children & Families	COTA	Certified Occupational Therapist
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act	CP	Cerebral Palsy
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder	CPC	Community Partnerships for Children
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	CPI	Consumer Price Index
AMCHP	Association of Maternal Child Health Programs	CSEFEL	Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning
AOTA	American Occupational Therapy Association	CSHCN	Children with Special Health Care Needs
APR	Annual Performance Report	CTF	Children's Trust Fund
APTA	American Physical Therapy Association	CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder	CSPD	Comprehensive System of Personnel Development
ASHA	American Speech-Language Hearing Association	DaSy	Center for IDEA Early Childhood Data Systems
ASTHVI	Association of State and Tribal Home Visiting Initiatives	DCF	Department for Children & Families
AT	Assistive technology	DCYF	Department of Youth and Families
AUCD	Association of University Centers on Disabilities	DEC	Division for Early Childhood of CEC
AV	Audio Visual	DD	Developmental Disability
AVT	Auditory Verbal Therapy	DDS	Department of Developmental Services
BD	Behavioral Disability	DESE	Department of Elementary & Secondary Education
BIP	Behavioral Intervention Plan	DLC	Disability Law Center
BSEA	Bureau of Special Education Appeals	DMA	Division of Medical Assistance (Medicaid)
CAEP	Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation	DMH	Department of Mental Health
CAPTA	Child Abuse Prevention & Treatment Act	DNR	Do Not Resuscitate
CBHI	Children's Behavioral Health Initiative	DOI	Division of Insurance
CCR&R	Child Care Resource & Referral Agency	DPH	Department of Public Health
CCSSO	Council of Chief State School Officers	DS	Developmental Specialist
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	DTA	Department of Transitional Assistance
CEC	Council for Exceptional Children	DV	Domestic Violence
CEEDAR	Collaboration for Effective Educator Development, Accountability and Reform	EC	Early Childhood
CEELO	Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes	ECE	Early Childhood Education
CHEA	Council for Higher Education Accreditation	ECO	Early Childhood Outcomes
CHNA	Community Health Network Area	ECPC	Early Childhood Personnel Center
		ECO	Early Childhood Outcome
		ECSE	Early Childhood Special Education
		ECTA	Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center

EDC	Education Development Center
edTPA	Education Teacher Performance Assessment
EEC	Early Education and Care
EI	Early Intervention
ED	Emotional Disability
EHS	Early Head Start
EPSDT	Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
ESSA	Every Student Succeeds Act
FAFSA	Free Application for Federal Student Aid
FAPE	Free Appropriate Public Education
FBA	Functional Behavioral Assessment
FE	Family Engagement
FERPA	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
FFP	Federal Financial Participation
FR	Federal Register
FV	Family Voices Organization
GPRA	Government Performance and Results Act
HBCU	Historically Black Colleges and Universities
HECSE	Higher Education Consortium for Special Education
HHS	Health and Human Services
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HLPs	CEC High Leverage Practices
HMO	Health Maintenance Organization
ICC	Interagency Coordinating Council
IDD	Intellectual Developmental Disability
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEE	Independent Education Evaluation
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IEU	Intermediate Educational Unit
IFS	Impact Family Scale
IFSP	Individualized Family Service Plan
IHE	Institute of Higher Education
IHP	Individualized Health Plan
ISEI	International Society on Early Intervention
ISP	Individual Service Plan
ITCA	IDEA Infant Toddler Coordinators Association
ITP	Individual Transition Plan
IYC	Infants and Young Children
JEI	Journal of Early Intervention
LD	Learning Disability

LDA	Learning Disability Association
LEA	Local Education Agency (or school system)
LEND	Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and related Disabilities
LRE	Least Restrictive (educational) Environment
MCH	Maternal Child Health
MCHB	Maternal Child Health Bureau
MSIP	USDOE OSEP's Monitoring and State Improvement Planning Division
NAECTE	National Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators
NAEYC	National Association for the Education of Young Children
NASP	National Association of School Psychologists
NBPTS	National Board for Professional Teaching Standards
NCLB	No Child Left Behind
NCPMI	National Center for Pyramid Model Innovation
NCSEAM	National Center for Special Education Accountability and Monitoring
NDRN	National Disability Rights Network
NHSA	National Head Start Association
NICHD	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
NICHY	National Information Center for Children and Youth with Disabilities
NICU	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
NIH	National Institutes of Health
NIMH	National Institute of Mental Health
NP	Nurse Practitioner
NPRM	Notice of Proposed Rule-Making
NVLD	Non-Verbal Learning Disability
OAE	Otoacoustics emissions (hearing test)
O & M	Orientation & Mobility (for visually impaired)
 OCD	Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
OCR	Office of Civil Rights (U.S. DOJ)
ODD	Oppositional Defiance Disorder
OEC	Office of Early Childhood
OEL	Office of Early Learning
OMB	Office of Management and Budget
OSC	Office of the State Comptroller
OSEP	Office of Special Education Programs (U.S. DOE)
OSERS	Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services (U.S. DOE)
OT	Occupational Therapy

NASDSE	National Association of State Directors of Special Education	SEPAC	Special Education Parent Advisory Council
NASDTEC	National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification	SI	Sensory Integration
NGA	National Governors Association	SIG	State Improvement Grant
NHSA	National Head Start Association	SIMR	State Identified Measurable Result
p2p	Parent to Parent	SLP	Speech/ Language Pathologist
P2P	Power to the Profession	SPDG	State Personnel Development Grant
PA	Physician's Assistant	SPE	or SPED Special Education
PAC	Parent Advisory Council	SPEDPAC	Special Education Parent Advisory Council
PART B	Special Education (ages 3 to 22) of IDEA	SPP	State Performance Plan
Part B 619	Section 619 of IDEA (3-5 years)	SSA	Social Security Administration
PART C	Early Intervention (birth to three) of IDEA	SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
PBIS	Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports	SSI	Supplemental Security Income
PCA	Personal Care Attendant	SSIP	State Systemic Improvement Plan
PDG-B5	Preschool Development Grants Birth to 5	SSP	Specialty Service Provider (Autism, Teacher of the Deaf, Teacher of the Blind)
PE	Physical Education	STEM	Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
PQA	Program Quality Assurance	STEMIZE2	STEM Innovation for Inclusion in Early Education Center
PT	Physical Therapy	SW	Social Worker
PTA	Parent Teacher Association	TA	Technical Assistance
PTI	Parent Training and Information	TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
PTO	Parent Teacher Organizations	TASH	The Association for Persons with Severe Handicaps
PTSD	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder	TED	Teacher Education Division of CEC
RDA	Results Driven Accountability	TECSE	Topics in Early Childhood Special Education Journal
RFA	Request for Application	TESE	Teacher Education and Special Education Journal
RFI	Request for Interest	Title V	of the Social Security Act administered by DHHS
RFP	Request for Proposal	TOD	Teacher of the Deaf or Hard of Hearing
RFR	Request for Response	TTY	Telephone Typewriter
RN	Registered Nurse	TVI	Teacher of the Visually Impaired
RPs	DEC Recommended Practices	UCEDD	University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
RSA	Rehabilitation Services Administration	USDOE	U.S. Department of Education
RTP	Research to Practice	VR	Vocational Rehabilitation
SAMSA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration	WIOA	Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act
SAC	State Advisory Council	YC	Young Children
SAP	State Advisory Panel	YEC	Young Exceptional Children
SEA	State Education Agency	ZTT	Zero to Three
SEAC	Special Education Advisory Council		
Section 504	Section of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973		

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