States with Additional Requirements for Part C Providers

- A total of 22 states have training requirements for Part C providers that exceed the minimal entry level requirements for licensure and/or certification.
- Of those 22 states, 16 states have additional requirements that have been formalized as a credential (staff receive professional distinctions for completing the training).
- The other 6 states have training requirements that have not been formalized as a credential.

Types of Additional Activities Required

- State representatives (n=22) reported mandating a variety of activities to meet credential requirements.
- Training, in the form of on-line modules, workshops, or additional college coursework, was required in all 22 states.
- Eleven states have specific supervision requirements, including: weekly or monthly meetings (n=3); observation by a supervisor (n=6); and an apprenticeship/mentorship (n=7).
- Ten states required professionals to complete a portfolio. The most common components of the portfolios were records from observations (n=9); written reflections (n=9); and work samples (n=8).
Entity Creating Additional Requirements

- Of the 22 states, 17 provided information regarding the entity responsible for creating the additional requirements in their state:

  - ICC & Higher Ed: 9
  - ICC Only: 1
  - Part C & ICC: 2
  - Part C, ICC & Higher Ed: 4
  - Part C/CSPD Only: 1

Funding of Additional Requirements

- Of the 22 states, 18 provided funding information:

  - State Funds Only: 1
  - Federal, State & Local Funds: 7
  - Federal Funds Only: 3
  - Federal & State Funds: 1

Supports

- Of the 22 states, 20 reported the following sources of support most frequently while developing and implementing the additional requirements:

  - No Cost for Credential: 1
  - Information & Experience: 4
  - Use of Instructional Technology: 4
  - Collaboration w/ Higher Ed: 2
  - Modeled Successful State: 3
  - Persistence & Dedication: 3
  - Collaboration w/ ICC & EI Programs: 3

Barriers

- Of the 22 states, 17 mentioned the following barriers most frequently while developing and implementing the additional requirements:

  - Complicated Paperwork: 1
  - Heavy Workload of Personnel: 2
  - Lack of Funding: 5
  - Insufficient Supply of Personnel: 6
  - Difficulty Implementing/Mandating: 6
  - Resistance from Personnel Unions: 6

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