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(i) Seeking information from service providers, service coordinators, parents, and others about any Federal, State, or local policies that impede timely service delivery; and

(ii) Taking steps to ensure that any policy problems identified under paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section are resolved; and

(4) To the extent appropriate, assist the lead agency in the resolution of disputes.

(b) Each Council may advise and assist the lead agency and the State educational agency regarding the provision of appropriate services for children aged birth to five, inclusive.

(c) Each Council may advise appropriate agencies in the State with respect to the integration of services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and at-risk infants and toddlers and their families, regardless of whether at-risk infants and toddlers are eligible for early intervention services in the State.

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**§ 303.651 Advising and assisting the lead agency in its administrative duties.**

Each Council shall advise and assist the lead agency in the—

(a) Identification of sources of fiscal and other support for services for early intervention programs under this part;

(b) Assignment of financial responsibility to the appropriate agency; and

(c) Promotion of the interagency agreements under § 303.523.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1441(e)(1)(A))

**§ 303.652 Applications.**

Each Council shall advise and assist the lead agency in the preparation of applications under this part and amendments to those applications.

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**§ 303.653 Transitional services.**

Each Council shall advise and assist the State educational agency regarding the transition of toddlers with disabilities to services provided under part B of the Act, to preschool and other appropriate services.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1441(e)(1)(C))

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**§ 303.654 Annual report to the Secretary.**

(a) Each Council shall—

(1) Prepare an annual report to the Governor and to the Secretary on the status of early intervention programs operated within the State for children eligible under this part and their families; and

(2) Submit the report to the Secretary by a date that the Secretary establishes.

(b) Each annual report must contain the information required by the Secretary for the year for which the report is made.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1441(e)(1)(D))

**PART 304—SERVICE OBLIGATIONS UNDER SPECIAL EDUCATION—PERSONNEL DEVELOPMENT TO IMPROVE SERVICES AND RESULTS FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

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**Subpart A—General**

**§ 304.1 Purpose.**

Individuals who receive scholarship assistance under projects funded under the Special Education—Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities program are required to complete a service obligation, or repay all or part of the costs of such assistance, in accordance with section 662(h) of the Act and the regulations of this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1462(h))

**§ 304.3 Definitions.**

The following definitions apply to this program:

- (a) *Academic year* means—
  - (1) A full-time course of study—
    - (i) Taken for a period totaling at least nine months; or
    - (ii) Taken for the equivalent of at least two semesters, two trimesters, or three quarters; or
  - (2) For a part-time scholar, the accumulation of periods of part-time courses of study that is equivalent to an “academic year” under paragraph (a)(1) of this definition.
- (b) *Act* means the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*
- (c) *Early intervention services* means early intervention services as defined in section 632(4) of the Act and includes early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities, and as applicable, to infants and toddlers at risk for disabilities under sections 632(1) and 632(5)(b) of the Act.
- (d) *Full-time*, for purposes of determining whether an individual is employed full-time in accordance with § 304.30 means a full-time position as defined by the individual’s employer or by the agencies served by the individual.

(e) *Related services* means related services as defined in section 602(26) of the Act.

(f) *Repayment* means monetary reimbursement of scholarship assistance in lieu of completion of a service obligation.

(g) *Scholar* means an individual who is pursuing a degree, license, endorsement, or certification related to special education, related services, or early intervention services and who receives scholarship assistance under section 662 of the Act.

(h) *Scholarship* means financial assistance to a scholar for training under the program and includes all disbursements or credits for tuition, fees, stipends, books, and travel in conjunction with training assignments.

(i) *Service obligation* means a scholar’s employment obligation, as described in section 662(h) of the Act and § 304.30.

(j) *Special education* means special education as defined in section 602(29) of the Act.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1462(h))

**Subpart B—Conditions That Must be Met by Grantee**

**§ 304.21 Allowable costs.**

In addition to the allowable costs established in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations in 34 CFR 75.530 through 75.562, the following items are allowable expenditures by projects funded under the program:

- (a) Cost of attendance, as defined in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 108711 (HEA), including the following:
  - (1) Tuition and fees.
  - (2) An allowance for books, supplies, transportation, and miscellaneous personal expenses.
  - (3) An allowance for room and board.
- (b) Stipends.
- (c) Travel in conjunction with training assignments.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1462(h))

**§ 304.22 Requirements for grantees in disbursing scholarships.**

Before disbursement of scholarship assistance to an individual, a grantee must—