

HEA 1484 Indiana Deaf Education and Assessments of Language (IDEAL)

House Enrolled Act 1484—Indiana Deaf Education and Assessments of Language (IDEAL), which was approved and signed by the governor on May 5, 2019, tasked the Center with a number of duties. A list of approved tools and assessments to use for language progress monitoring and a parent document was made available July 1, 2020. The purpose of the law was to encourage closer monitoring of the language skills of children who are deaf or hard of hearing to improve outcomes for these students.



HEA 1484 includes children with a diagnosed hearing loss:

- Through age 10; and
- Who have an IEP, ISP, 504, or no services.

Tools and Assessments



This QR code will lead you to the list of tools and assessments for language progress monitoring that was developed by the IDEAL Advisory Committee and Center staff. A PDF document with the names of the tools, covered ages and a brief description is included, as well as a link to the test. Center staff can be contacted to assist with understanding which tool may be most appropriate for a child.

Law states that when the assessment tools on this list are administered, they shall be reported to the Center.

From the website: www.cdhe.isdh.in.gov





Reporting Portal

This link allows access to the reporting portal in order to input scores and data from the administered progress monitoring tools.



Technical Assistance

This resource includes some short videos and flyers. More technical assistance flyers and videos can be added as needs or requests from the field arise. Technical assistance also covers the Center staff's availability to consult with EI providers and school staff to assist with any needs surrounding IDEAL. Center staff can be contacted at cdhhe@isdh.in.gov.



Parent Document

This is a tool specifically designed for parents to find information and resources that assist with supporting the language development of a child who is deaf or hard of hearing. The document is web-facing but can be downloaded and/or printed if desired. Four general topics are covered: General Language, Supports for Language Acquisition, Laws and Policies for Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Milestones for Children Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing ages 0-11 years. The entire document is available on the Center website presented in individual sections for ease of finding information. This document will be reviewed periodically to ensure there are no broken links and content remains current.

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