

LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST STEPS LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS

Section 59-152-60 (A): "A list of all local partnership board members must be published in the partnership's annual report, be reported annually to the local legislative delegation, and be on file with the Office of First Steps."

Section 59-152-70 (A) (8): "[A First Steps Partnership Board shall] collect information and submit an annual report by October first to the First Steps to School Readiness Board of Trustees, and otherwise participate in the annual review and the three year evaluation of operations and programs. Before December 1, 2017, and annually before December first thereafter, the Office of South Carolina First Steps shall publish each local partnership's comprehensive plan and annual report on the office's website. Reports must include, but not be limited to:

- (a) determination of the current level and data pertaining to the delivery and effectiveness of services for young children and their families, including the numbers of preschool children and their families served;
- (b) strategic goals for increased availability, accessibility, quality, and efficiency of activities and services for young children and their families which will enable children to reach school ready to succeed:
- (c) monitoring of progress toward strategic goals;
- (d) report on implementation activities;
- (e) recommendations for changes to the strategic plan which may include new areas of implementation;
- (f) evaluation and report of program effectiveness and client satisfaction before, during, and after the implementation of the strategic plan, where available; and
- (g) estimation of cost savings attributable to increased efficiency and effectiveness of delivery of services to young children and their families, where available."