

CIFR by the Numbers

Technical Assistance to States

November 2014 – October 2019

Since its inception five years ago, CIFR has provided TA to nearly all 60 IDEA Part B programs – including intensive TA to 14 states – to help them meet IDEA fiscal requirements. The numbers below highlight CIFR’s work to date.

54



States and Entities Supported

Entities include the Bureau of Indian Education, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

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Resources Produced

CIFR has created online interactive guides, quick reference guides, practice guides, and adaptable tools to help state fiscal specialists learn about and implement IDEA reporting requirements. (Four of these were co-developed with the *IDEA* Data Center and one was co-developed with the National Center for Systemic Improvement.)

Of 27 CIFR products reviewed by expert panels, **all were deemed to be of high quality, relevance, and usefulness.** And in an annual survey, at least 90 percent of state staff agree that CIFR products:

- Helped them better understand aspects of IDEA fiscal reporting requirements.
- Helped improve their state’s capacity to collect and report on IDEA fiscal data.



9,363

Downloads

Most popular CIFR resources by download:

LEA MOE Calculator
1,562

MFS Quick Reference Guide
935

LEA MOE Quick Reference Guide
885

678

TA Requests Addressed

MFS

65 requests made by 37 states and entities

CEIS

125 requests made by 40 states and entities

ALLOCATIONS

173 requests made by 46 states and entities

LEA MOE

315 requests made by 47 states and entities

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Communities of Practice Convened



6 regional communities of practice have met 213 times on a monthly or quarterly basis since 2015, supporting 54 states and entities.



2 topical communities have focused on the high-demand issues of LEA MOE procedures and educational service agencies.

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IDEA Fiscal Forums Held

CIFR's IDEA Fiscal Forums provide in-person opportunities for state directors of special education and IDEA fiscal specialists to build knowledge and capacity by connecting and sharing with peers on critical IDEA issues. In post-event surveys, 98 percent of state attendees agreed that they will be able to use what they learned at the events in their professional roles.



IFF 2016

47 States Attended

114 State Participants Attended



IFF 2018

48 States Attended

116 State Participants Attended