

## Office of the Secretary of Defense

## § 80.3

### § 80.1 Purpose.

This part:

(a) Establishes policies and procedures for the provision of early intervention services to infants and toddlers with disabilities (birth to age 2 inclusive) and their families, and special education and related services to children with disabilities (ages 3–21 inclusive) entitled to receive special educational instruction or early intervention services from the Department of Defense under Pub. L. 81–874, sec. 6, as amended; Pub. L. 97–35, sec. 505(c); the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Pub. L. 94–142, as amended; Pub. L. 102–119, sec. 23; and consistent with 32 CFR parts 285 and 310, and the Federal Rules of Civil Procedures (28 U.S.C.).

(b) Establishes policy, assigns responsibilities, and prescribes procedures for:

(1) Implementation of a comprehensive, multidisciplinary program of early intervention services for infants and toddlers ages birth through 2 years (inclusive) with disabilities and their families.

(2) Provision of a free, appropriate education including special education and related services for preschool children with disabilities and children with disabilities enrolled in the Department of Defense Section 6 School Arrangements.

(c) Establishes a Domestic Advisory Panel (DAP) on Early Intervention and Education for Infants, Toddlers, Preschool Children and Children with Disabilities, and a DoD Coordinating Committee on Domestic Early Intervention, Special Education and Related Services.

(d) Authorizes the publication of DoD Regulations and Manuals, consistent with DoD 5025.1–M,<sup>1</sup> and DoD forms consistent with DoD 5000.12–M<sup>2</sup> and DoD Directive 8910.1<sup>3</sup> to implement this part.

### § 80.2 Applicability and scope.

This part:

<sup>1</sup>Copies may be obtained, at cost, from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161.

<sup>2</sup>See footnote 1 to § 80.1(c).

<sup>3</sup>See footnote 1 to § 80.1(c).

(a) Applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the Military Departments, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff, the Unified and Specified Commands, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Defense Agencies, and the DoD Field Agencies (hereafter referred to collectively as “the DoD Components”).

(b) Encompasses infants, toddlers, preschool children, and children receiving or entitled to receive early intervention services or special educational instruction from the DoD on installations with Section 6 School Arrangements, and the parents of those individuals with disabilities.

(c) Applies only to schools operated by the Department of Defense within the Continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Wake Island, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Virgin Islands.

### § 80.3 Definitions.

(a) *Assistive technology device.* Any item, piece of equipment, or product system, whether acquired commercially or off the shelf, modified, or customized, that is used to increase, maintain, or improve functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities.

(b) *Assistive technology service.* Any service that directly assists an individual with a disability in the selection, acquisition, or use of an assistive technology device. This term includes:

(1) Evaluating the needs of an individual with a disability, including a functional evaluation of the individual in the individual’s customary environment.

(2) Purchasing, leasing, or otherwise providing for the acquisition of assistive technology devices by individuals with disabilities.

(3) Selecting designing, fitting, customizing, adapting, applying, maintaining, repairing, or replacing of assistive technology devices.

(4) Coordinating and using other therapies, interventions, or services with assistive technology devices, such as those associated with existing educational and rehabilitative plans and programs.