Let’s Get Ready for the New Federal Monitoring System
Overview, Discussion and Critical Thinking
Draft Agenda
October 10, 2017
9:00 – 4:00 pm

1. Welcome/Check In

2. Catching Up
   - Overview and discussion on the five key changes
   - Differences between what was and what will be
   - What to expect moving forward. Overview and discussion on the process.
   - What have you heard?
   - What do we know?
   - What is unknown?

3. What does “More Outcomes Focused” and Less Prescriptive Mean?
   - Why you do things the way you do?
   - How you do them in your community over your five year grant cycle?

4. Data Tours - Data tours are a new feature of the onsite review.
   - What does this mean for your program?
   - Strategies to prepare for Data Tours?

5. Performance Measures

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6. Overview and Discussion
- **Focus Area 1: Understanding the Approach to Program Services.**
  Let’s talk about how best to do this? Focus Area 1 sets the foundation for everything to follow. Document Review and Off Site Discussions. How are you going to describe the intentionality behind your program design, decisions and operations, the challenges you have experienced, strengths, and strategies for continuous program improvement?

- **Focus Area 2: Understanding Performance for Continuous Quality Improvement.** Focus Area Two is an opportunity for grantees to demonstrate their effectiveness in implementing a high-quality program to promote positive outcomes and school readiness for children and their families. The onsite review includes discussions, classroom explorations, and data tours. Discussions will occur with program management, staff, parents, the governing body, the policy council, and teachers (at the end of each classroom exploration). What is different here than what we have been doing? What new or different strategies are you going to put in place?

7. Continuous Quality Improvement

   - Meet several of your Head Start/Early Head Start colleagues from around the country to provide insight on what they are thinking, changes they are making, strategies and challenges.
   - *How Do We Support Each Other with the What/How/Why?*
   - What resources are needed? What training is needed? What ongoing support is needed?

8. Closure/Next Steps