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REMINDER TO NOTIFY IEP STUDENTS WHO MAY QUALIFY FOR SERVICES THROUGH THE END OF SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022 IF THEY WILL TURN 22 YEARS OLD

School Districts must provide notification of the availability of services to each student with an Individualized Education Plan ("IEP") by regular mail sent to the last known address of that student or their parent or guardian by August 27, 2021. Illinois now requires IEP services through the end of the 2021-2022 school year for IEP students who reach 22 years of age during a COVID-19 related suspension of in-person instruction, services or activities that lasted for three or more consecutive months. Each qualified student's IEP goals that were in effect when the student turned 22 years old should be resumed unless an agreement to revise those goals in order to

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meet the student's transitional goals is made.

The new law does not apply to students who no longer reside within the school district that was responsible for the student's IEP at the time the student turned 22. Nor is the school district required to resume services at a private therapeutic day or residential program if the student has aged out of that program or funding for that program is not available.

We have provided a draft template to send out this notification.

Download The Template

If you have any questions about providing this notification, please do not hesitate to contact one of our attorneys.