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Kerry: Well we've tried to, to the greatest extent possible, duplicate our Part C offerings with our Part B offerings. So a couple of years ago, we added IFSP facilitation; we were already doing IEP facilitation. We provide an array of services for Part C. They aren't used tremendously because there's a lot of local dispute resolution going on, which is a good thing. Unlike many states, Pennsylvania doesn't have a lot of Part C dispute resolution activity. But we have tried to have a seamless integration between our Part B system and our Part C system, so that Part C has just as many dispute resolution options available to it, as does Part B. We also look for a variety of outreach activities for Part C, as well as Part B, and that involves conferences, networking with people, having relationships with people over at the Department of Ed and Early Education, things like that.