

**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

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June 1, 2010

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Dear Ms. Larson:

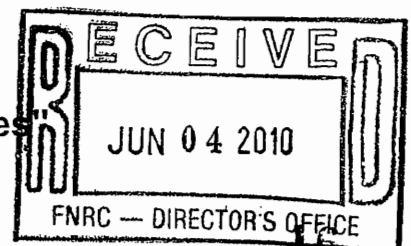
The purpose of this letter is to convey the results of the annual determination for your Regional Center's Early Start program. The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) is required, as part of the federal Individual with Disabilities Education Act, Part C, to annually make a "determination" (ranking) of your Early Start program. Within the parameters provided by the Federal Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) guidelines, the state uses the process described in the enclosed "Local Program Determination Process" to arrive at a regional center's determination.

Based on this process, DDS is pleased to inform you that Far Northern Regional Center (FNRC) meets the requirements for Early Start with a final determination of 100 percent. We commend you for this exceptional accomplishment.

Our determination process accords with the requirements specified in the OSEP guidance documents; however, the process for future years' determinations may be modified based on changes to existing federal law and/or further guidance received from OSEP. Your determination will not be reported to OSEP or posted publicly. FNRC may, however, choose to post or provide this information to whomever it wishes.

FNRC is commended for its good work over the last year. We encourage you to continue improving your level of performance for all indicators, as we continue to provide early intervention services to infants and children with special needs. DDS is committed to assisting in your improvement efforts and will make available Early Start

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Program liaisons, other program personnel, and contractor resources to the extent possible and upon request. If you have any questions, please contact Erin Paulsen at (916) 654-2977 or by email at [Erin.Paulsen@dds.ca.gov](mailto:Erin.Paulsen@dds.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



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