

General Guidance	
<p>During the COVID-19 pandemic, some evaluation teams may have made the decision to delay initial evaluations and reevaluations in cases where face-to-face assessment was required in order to make an eligibility decision and the district was operating in Category 3. As districts move into Hybrid learning, traditional, or comprehensive online schooling, evaluation teams must resume the assessment process for those evaluations that were delayed.</p> <p>School closures do not change the 3 year reevaluation timeline or the annual IEP review dates.</p>	
Question	Considerations
<p>If we obtained <i>Consent for Assessment</i> prior to closure or remote learning in Category 3, do we need to seek consent again before resuming a delayed evaluation?</p>	<p>No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parent has already given consent. However, <i>Written Notice</i> should be provided to the parent indicating that the team will proceed with conducting assessments as listed on the <i>Consent for Assessment</i>.
<p>We are ready to resume a delayed evaluation. Do we have to notify the parent?</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If written <i>Consent for Assessment</i> has not been obtained, then the team must seek consent prior to proceeding with the evaluation. If written <i>Consent for Assessment</i> has been obtained, <i>Written Notice</i> should be provided to the parent indicating that the team will proceed with conducting assessments as listed on the <i>Consent for Assessment</i>.
<p>We obtained <i>Consent for Assessment</i> for an initial evaluation prior to closure or remote learning in Category 3 but were unable to complete the evaluation.</p> <p>Does our 60-day timeline start over?</p>	<p>No.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 60-day timeline began when <i>Consent for Assessment</i> was received by the LEA. The evaluation must be completed within 60 calendar days of receiving written consent, excluding periods when regular school is not in session for 5 or more consecutive school days. The team should calculate how many days had already passed between the receipt of consent and the date of school closure and subtract that number from 60. The remaining number is the number of days remaining for the team to complete assessments and make an eligibility determination. <div style="border: 1px solid #92d050; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Example: If initial consent was received 15 days prior to school closure, then: <i>(60 days – 15 days = 45 days).</i> In this example, the team would have 45 calendar days to complete assessments and make an eligibility determination.</p> </div>
<p>We were unable to complete a reevaluation during a closure or remote learning in Category 3. The 3 year eligibility due date has already passed.</p> <p>What is our new deadline for completing the evaluation?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Because the due date for 3 year eligibility has already passed, the team should complete the reevaluation as quickly as is reasonably possible. This should not exceed 60 calendar days.