Spark
Empowering early educators
to inspire children

Guidance on Spark Interim Improvements

Engaging Programs- 3 possible ways to engage programs in the Spark process. Please choose the best for your region, providers, etc. The formal IQT is no longer a requirement of C2Q. You are afforded the liberty of introducing programs to Spark as you see fit.

1. Oregon's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) Increasing Quality Training

This session is the first step to participating in Oregon's Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS). Oregon's QRIS recognizes, rewards and builds on what you are already doing well and provides free tools, financial incentives and professional support to increase and document your quality. In this session participants will explore QRIS participation through a step by step breakdown of the QRIS process and criteria and get an in depth look at the benefits of participating in Oregon's QRIS.

CKC- Program Management 3.0

Materials Available- QIS Group on TRI Spark website

*If you continue to offering IQT it is important to maintain the integrity of the training as approved by ORO. In this case, the training must be three hours in length and cover the same basic concepts at the original IQT.

2. Introduction to Spark: Oregon's Quality Rating and Improvement System

This session will provide participants with the knowledge and tools needed to participate in Spark. Participants will gain an understanding of the purpose of a QRIS, the role of partners, supports and incentives available to participating programs, Spark documents and processes, the portfolio submission and review process, and the next steps for participating in Spark.

CKC/Hours: Program Management/2.0 hours

Materials Available on the QIS Group on TRI Spark website

*If you offer Introduction to Spark: Oregon's Quality Rating and Improvement System it is important to maintain the integrity of the training as approved by ORO. In this case, the training must be two hours in length and cover the same basic concepts.

3. Spark Orientation

Quality Improvement Specialist may meet formally or informally with programs. If you are choosing to provide spark orientations to programs-

- Programs must receive:
  - QIP
  - Application
  - Self-Assessment
  - MOU
- You are free to use any relevant materials, such as portions of the original IQT, updates Introduction to Spark, Spark materials, information from the Spark website, etc.
- There is no time requirement; you do what best works for the programs to set them up for success.

Resubmissions

Compliance Only Resubmissions- Please contact the Spark Helpline and request a compliance only resubmission. These are for programs that were held up due to compliance and unable to achieve their desired rating

PQ Only Resubmissions- Please contact the Spark Helpline. PQ only resubmissions are for programs that were unable to achieve their rating for PQ.

Standards only Resubmission/Additional Evidence- Please contact the Spark Helpline and we can direct you on how to proceed.