

**Maryland State Department of Education  
State Fiscal Stabilization Fund 2  
Plan for Indicator (c)(12)**

**Indicator (c) (12) (amended 4/16/10)**

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| (c)<br>(12) | Develop (interim term solution) post-secondary alignment and success factors.  | Sept<br>2010 | None | Quarterly reports of the tasks completed, progress and timeline status of the interim solution. | \$ 80,000 state employee(s) salaries/benefits |
|             | Implement (interim solution) postsecondary alignment and success factors.<br><br>Phase 1 - Obtain individual student data from the Maryland Higher Ed Commission on the credit hours earned for MD public and private colleges. Match these data to the MD class of 2009 to comply with the reporting requirement.<br><br>Phase 2 – Organize with other states to leverage this data capture with the National Clearing House. | Aug<br>2011  |      |   |   |

**General Requirements:**

(A) The Maryland Department of Education (MSDE) in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) is responsible for the development and execution of the plan to ensure reporting capability of indicators (c) (11) and (c) (12). MSDE will provide oversight of the plan. Each state agency has its own infrastructure to create the responses to these indicators, but must link the P12 graduate data from the 2008-2009 school year to the postsecondary data via an interim solution to meet the deadline of September 2011. The interim solution entails developing a program to match the P12 and postsecondary data to obtain the data elements required for reporting these two indicators. The longer term plan for an LDS Data Center is described in (b) (1).

The interim solution (short term solution) to comply with the reporting requirements of indicator (c)(11) began by contracting with the National Clearing House (NCH) to obtain data on the class of 2009 graduates from Maryland Schools. MSDE is finalizing the arrangement with the National Clearing House. These data from the NCH will provide the MD students (Class of 2009) that enrolled in public, private, in-state and

out-of-state colleges across the nation. Concurrently, MSDE is working with MHEC to define the data points required to meet indicator (c)(12) for the credit hours earned for the MD class of 2009. The National Clearing House does not capture credit hour data from colleges. Once the requirements gathering process has been completed, MHEC will provide the data points needed for the MD public and private universities to MSDE so we can comply with the reporting requirement for indicator (c)(12). In phase two of this process MSDE wants to organize with other states to leverage this requirement with the NHC and request the NHC to capture more information from the colleges.

**(B)** MSDE and MHEC will provide technical assistance in the development and execution of reporting these data utilizing in-house state employees to perform the work to meet the timeline. Initial development of the match criteria and exception reporting will be performed by MHEC with MSDE developing and executing quality assurance checks against the match criteria and building the reports. Both state agencies will have access to the data required to report on both indicators. MSDE will provide the final oversight of the plan.

**(C)** The overall budget for the development, execution, and oversight of the plan is:

\$180,000 State Funds (state employee salaries/benefits) (\$100,000 for (c)(11); \$80,000 for (c) (12).

**(D)** Maryland has created a section on our Maryland Public Schools website for all ARRA reporting. The State Fiscal Stabilization Fund (2) reporting website address is: <http://www.marylandpublicschools.org/MSDE/programs/arra/sfsf2>. We will post quarterly status reports of the tasks completed, progress (percentage completed) and timeline. These documents can be reflected as Gantt charts that are easier to read and color coded or with the details of the work breakdown structure within the Microsoft project tool.