

# Manifestation Determination Review

## (IEPT Pages 1A and 1B) Instructions and Information

Pages 1A and 1B are to be used in instances where the student is receiving a disciplinary removal that constitutes a change in educational placement. A change in educational placement would include any single removal exceeding 10 consecutive school days, or a series of removals that form a pattern of exclusion and exceed 10 days in accumulation within the current school year.

Sections I, II, III, & IV must be completed in all cases.

If the behavior is determined to be a manifestation of the student's disability in Section IV, then the student must be reinstated in his/her current placement. In this event, only the parent and school district signature sections (Sections VIII and IX) would need completion. IEP pages 2-5 do not need to be completed unless some adjustments in the IEP are deemed necessary. The school district is responsible for initiating/reviewing a functional behavior assessment and behavior intervention plan for the student following his/her reinstatement.

There are two exceptions to such reinstatement. If the behavioral matters involved one or more of the following special circumstances: drugs, weapons, or the infliction of serious bodily injury, then the student can be placed in an interim alternative educational setting. Section VI should be completed in that event, but IEP pages 2-5 do not need completion.

The second exception is when the parent elects to agree to a change in placement. This agreement should be so noted in Section VII, and then IEP pages 2-5 should be completed to identify the change in placement. The school district is responsible for initiating/reviewing a functional behavior assessment and behavior intervention plan for the student following the initiation of the new placement.

If no manifestation of the student's disability is found in Section IV, and on-going school removal is anticipated, complete Section V. IEP pages 2-5 do not need completion. Behavior assessment/planning is only required in a non-manifestation finding if the IEP Team determines it to be appropriate.

**Note:** If pages 2-5 of the IEP have been completed at this manifestation review meeting, then the annual review timeline begins again with the date of this meeting. If the necessary educational services during an on-going suspension were only identified on page 1A & 1B, then the previous annual review timeline remains in effect.