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### **MEMORANDUM NO. 2017-019**

**T0:** School District Superintendents

**Special Education Directors** 

**FROM**: Brent Bacon, Chief Academic Officer

**DATE**: February 13, 2017

**SUBJECT**: Early Intervention and Education Program Evaluation Project

# LSO CONDUCTING EARLY INTERVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM EVALUATION

The Wyoming Legislative Service Office (LSO) is conducting an evaluation on the impact that the Early Intervention and Education Program (or Developmental Preschool Program) has on preschool students as they enter and progress through the K-12 public education system. This program is administered through the Wyoming Department of Health (Health), in collaboration with the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE). The LSO evaluation team intends to contact school district superintendents and special education directors to request district feedback on this program, specifically related to district interactions with the Health-contracted regional child development centers. These contacts will begin during the week of February 13, 2017.

The WDE will not be involved with any of these contacts, nor will it receive any information on or identification of responses you provide to the LSO evaluation team. Additionally, the LSO is not evaluating school districts' preschool or early education programs. The LSO will provide further details and instructions on this process when it begins to contact districts. Please be prepared to receive this outreach. This is an important opportunity to provide direct feedback to the Wyoming Legislature on the program.

To learn more about the LSO evaluation process, please refer to the LSO website: <a href="legisweb.state.wy.us/LSOWEB/ProgramEval/ProgramEval.aspx">legisweb.state.wy.us/LSOWEB/ProgramEval/ProgramEval.aspx</a>

For questions, please contact Michael Swank, LSO Program Evaluation and Research Manager, at <u>michael.swank@wyoleg.gov</u> or 307-777-7881.