Developmental Education Accountability Measures: The Logic Behind the Scenes

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Developmental Education Accountability Measures

- Also called TSI (Texas Success Initiative) measures
- Designed to provide information about students who are not college ready when they first enter an institution of higher education
- Include data for college-ready counterparts for comparison purposes
- Require following students longitudinally for three years

The Three Measures

- 1 The percent of underprepared and prepared students who successfully complete a college-level course in math, reading and writing. Prepared students are given 1 year. Underprepared students are given 3 years.
- 2 The percent of underprepared students who satisfied TSI obligation within 2 years.
- 3 The percent of underprepared and prepared students who return the following fall.

Accountability System and Dev Ed Data Reports



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- Accountability System
 - Shows most recent year for which three years of data exists
 - Current system shows data for Fall 2008 cohort
- Dev Ed (TSI) Data (web reports)
 - First published when students have been tracked for one year and then updated for year two and year three
 - Provide "in progress" view of data
 - Currently we have Fall 2010 cohort tracked for 1 year, Fall 2009 cohort tracked for 2 years, and Fall 2008 cohort tracked for 3 years
 - Reports back to 2003
- The CBM002 report changed in 2009
 - 2009 data and forward should not be directly compared to data for earlier years

The Logic Behind...

- Identifying the cohort
- Determining the initial TSI status of cohort
- Calculating the three measures

Note that institutions will not always be able to replicate TSI data produced by the CB because we look across institutions.

Identifying the Cohort

- First-time in college (FTIC) students
 - Record in CBM001
 - Transfer/First-time in College
 - Coded '000001' → first-time in college
 - Intent field
 - Coded '1', '2', '3', '6', or '7' → associates, certificate,, transfer, did not respond, BAT
 - Both part-time and full-time students included

If students are not correctly reported as FTIC when they initially enroll, they will not be included in the fall cohort

Identifying Initial TSI Status

- Initial TSI status for each student in the fall FTIC cohort is determined using the CBM002
- Look across institutions to determine if TSI is satisfied
- Criteria for TSI satisfied at initial enrollment
 - Blanket exemption TSI satisfied for all TSI areas
 - Item #10 reported as '5' or '6' → earned degree or previous TASP exemptions
 - (TSI Satisfied by Census Date should be reported as '1' or '2' for #20/40/60 and '2' for #24/44/64)
 - Satisfied for individual subject area
 - No waiver or blanket exemption (item #10 reported '0')
 - TSI area satisfied by census date (item #20/40/60 reported '1' or '2' yes, at my institution or yes, at another Texas public institution)
 - TSI area satisfied by end of term (item #24/44/64 reported as '2' already satisfied by census date)

Identifying Initial TSI Status

Waiver or Military Exemption Reported

- Criteria for TSI satisfied for individual subject area w/waiver ONLY IF...
 - Waiver for level-one certificate, non-degree seeking, or military exemption (item #10 reported '1', '3', or '4')
 AND
 - Exemption for TSI area (item #21A/41A/61A reported '2', '3', '4', or '5')

OR

- Successful on TSI Assessment Test (items #22/42/62 with approved test and score that meets TSI standard)
- Waivers and Military Exemptions reported as 'Unknown' for subject area if evidence of TSI satisfaction not provided (TSI does not apply)

Measure 1: First College Course

- Time frame
 - One year for prepared students
 - Three years for underprepared students
- Once a student is reported as having credit for a first college-level course, the status is fixed
- Look across institutions to determine credit for first college course
- CBM002
 - Credit for first college-level course (item #30/50/70 reported '1', '2', '3', or '4')
- CBM00S
 - First College-Level Course (item #20 for Univ or #23 for CTC reported as '1', '2', '3', or '4' credit for math, reading, writing, or reading/writing)

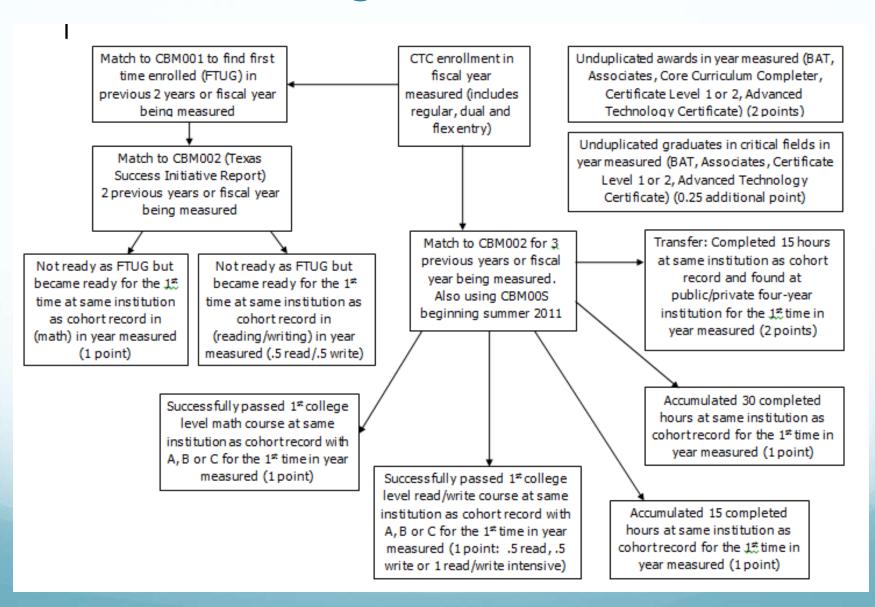
Measure 2: Met TSI Obligations

- Time frame
 - Two years for underprepared students
- Once a student is reported as having met TSI obligations for a subject area, the status is fixed
- Look across institutions to determine if TSI obligation is met
- CBM002
 - Item #24/44/64 reported as '1' met TSI obligation this semester

Measure 3: Return Following Fall

- Time frame
 - One year follow-up
- CBM001
 - Check if student is found enrolled at any Texas public institution during the following fall

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- Dual credit students:
 - are not included when calculating success points for under-prepared students who meet TSI after initial enrollment (dual credit students have already met readiness standards AND TSI readiness is tracked from first-time undergraduate, FTUG/FTIC status).
 - are included when calculating other success points measures, as shown in flow chart on preceding slide (including points for first college-level course completion).

Questions? Comments?

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