## BENEFITS OF THE FACILITATED IEP/IFSP MEETING PROCESS

**Directions**: Determine if each Benefit listed would be **IMMEDIATE** and/or **FUTURE**. Make a checkmark in the box or boxes you select.

POTENTIAL BENEFITS		IMMEDIATE	FUTURE
1.	Encourages early conflict resolution.		
2.	Builds upon and improves working relationships.		
3.	Promotes a collaborative team effort.		
4.	Fosters open communication by all participants.		
5.	Models effective communication skills and listening techniques.		
6.	Clarifies items of agreement & disagreement.		
7.	Promotes the investigation and evaluation of solution options.		
8.	Guides attention to the future and the development of the student's educational plan.		
9.	Costs less when compared to conducting a Due Process Hearing.		
10.	Maintains focus on the student's needs.		
11.	Supports the formation of concerns into requests/ proposals and counter/modified proposals if an original request/proposal is considered unsuitable.		
12.	Reinforces decision-making through consensus.		
13.	Establishes agreed-upon group guidelines to achieve productive communications.		
14.	Demonstrates effective strategies and techniques to utilize when faced with challenging situations and/or persons.		
15.	Other:		
16.	Other:		