

SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications August 7, 2023

The SGR Newsflash informs subscribers about communications distributed to grantees by the Office of State and Grantee Relations (SGR). SGR administers the ESSER, GEER, and EANS grants on behalf of the Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (OESE) at the U.S. Department of Education.

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Recent Grantee Communications

Sent 7/26/23 – CRRSA ESSER, GEER, and EANS Obligation Deadlines and Extensions: Grantees received information about upcoming obligation deadlines and liquidation extension requests for the CRRSA Act ESSER, GEER, and EANS programs. Link: CRRSA Obligation Deadlines and Extensions

Upcoming Webinars

SGR Grantee Learning Series: The SGR Grantee Learning Series webinars will focus on the requirements and related resources for the ESSER, GEER, and EANS programs. Each session will begin at 2:30 pm EDT and will be recorded. Registration links are shown below. Questions? Email your State mailbox at *State name.OESE@ed.gov*.

Grantee Learning Series Webinars		
Topic	Date	Registration Link
Technical Assistance, Communications, and Resources	8/9/23	https://ems8.intellor.com?do=register&t=1&p=848126
Maintenance of Effort (MOE) and Maintenance of		
Equity (MOEq)	8/16/23	https://ems8.intellor.com?do=register&t=1&p=848129
Federal Funding and Accountability Transparency Act		
(FFATA) and Annual Performance Reporting (APR)	8/23/23	https://ems8.intellor.com?do=register&t=1&p=848096

Reporting Updates

ESSER Year 3 (FY22) APR data correction period: The ESSER Year 3 APR data correction period will close on **Thursday**, **8/10/23**. This will be the last opportunity in 2023 for ESSER grantees to make corrections or updates to previously reported ESSER Year 3 APR data. If your State received an email with potential data quality concerns identified by the Department, your State is required to review the data for accuracy, make updates, and resubmit the data if necessary.

ESSER/ GEER/EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR)		
Program	Data Correction Period	
ESSER Year 2 (FY21)	closed	
ESSER Year 3 (FY22)	7/24/23 to 8/10/23	
GEER Year 2 (FY21)	8/14/23 to 8/24/23	
GEER Year 3 (FY22)	8/28/23 to 9/7/23	
EANS Year 1 (FY21)	9/11/23 to 9/21/23	
EANS Year 2 (FY22)	9/25/23 to 10/5/23	

GEER Year 2 (FY21) APR data correction period: The GEER Year 2 APR will reopen on Monday, 8/14/23, to allow grantees an opportunity to correct or update any previously reported data. To prepare for the reopen period, grantees can log in to review or print the previously submitted data, however no updates can be made until Monday, 8/14/23.

See the <u>ESF Grantee Help page</u> for resources. Please continue to submit any APR-related questions to <u>ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov</u>. The ESF Reporting Helpdesk can also be reached by phone at 1-866-890-0913.

Education Stabilization Fund (ESF) Reporting Helpdesk Office Hours: The ESF Reporting Helpdesk will be hosting an Office Hours session for grantees to ask questions pertaining to ESSER/ESF-SEA Data Quality issues. Registration is not required. Attendees from States and outlying areas can click this link to join the Office Hours session: Wednesday, 8/9/23, 12-1pm EDT

FFATA Subaward Reporting Accuracy Requirement – Grantees should continue to review program subawards in <u>FSRS</u> and demonstrate efforts to ensure accurate monthly subaward reporting by:

- Confirming FFATA subaward data for each grant displays accurately in <u>USASpending.gov</u>
- Providing an explanation of subaward reporting to their SGR program officer for any grant that displays a Percent of Prime Award Obligated Amounts under 90% (See the Sub-Awards tab in the Award History section of the USASpending Award Profile for each grant). Examples of acceptable explanations include:
 - Manner of grant implementation (subawards under \$30,000 or contracts determined to not justify a subrecipient relationship)
 - o Technical challenges with FSRS (active FSD ticket/incident numbers must be shared with SGR)
- Correcting subaward reporting of any grant that displays a Percent of Prime Award Obligated Amounts over 100% (overallocated) in USASpending.gov.
- Sharing any Federal Service Desk (FSD) ticket numbers and a description of the reported issues with their SGR
 program officer. If you do not receive a response from the FSD within three business days, SGR can escalate your
 issue to GSA. Questions? Please contact your SGR program officer through your State Mailbox or see <u>FSRS FAQs</u>,
 and <u>ESSER</u>, <u>GEER</u>, and <u>EANS</u> reporting pages for guidance.

Deadlines and Announcements

<u>Final FY 2023 SEA-Level MOEquity Data PAST DUE</u>: The deadline for SEAs to submit final FY23 SEA-level MOEquity data to SGR through the State mailbox was 7/31/23. This data should include a signed copy of Appendix A and items 1, 3, 5, 6-8, 10-12 (see pg. 28 of <u>MOEquity FAQs</u>). SEAs that have not yet provided final FY23 data should notify their SGR program officer with an extension request and provide a specific date of anticipated submission. SEAs are encouraged to submit FY23 small LEA tolerance proposals, if applicable, alongside the final FY23 data submission. If additional time is required to develop a small LEA tolerance proposal, please provide a specific date of anticipated submission.

Request for Public Input on Information Collection Requests (ICRs): The Department requests public input on how it can reduce the burden associated with its ICRs, while maintaining data, information, and analyses critical to fulfill the Department's mission. This effort will help the Department identify improvements, redundancies in information collections, and inefficiencies in collections in order to improve the value and use of data. Please submit your input by 8/14/23. Link: Federal Register - ICR Burden Public Input Request

UEI and SAM.gov registration: Grantees and subrecipients may contact the <u>Federal Service Desk</u> (FSD) for assistance with grantee or subrecipient SAM.gov registration renewal or UEI assignment. Please share any assigned incident numbers with your SGR program officer. SGR can assist with escalating tickets if they are not addressed by the FSD after 3 business days. There is never a fee charged for registering an entity or maintaining an entity registration. For information visit the <u>Federal Service Desk</u> or see the <u>UEI Fact Sheet</u> on the <u>ESF Grantee Help page</u>.

Grantee Resources

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CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Template

CARES and CRRSA Liquidation Extension FAQs

ESSER and GEER FAQs Dec 7, 2022 Update

EANS FAQs

ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity FAQs

ESSER and **GEER** Maintenance of Effort Guidance

2023 OMB Compliance Supplement

ESF Transparency Portal

SAM.gov Resources

Lessons from the Field Webinar Series

Community of Practice Resources

Regional Comprehensive Centers

The Best Practices Clearinghouse

National Partnership for Student Success

Engage Every Student

National Comprehensive Center

GSA Interact Community (SAM.gov and UEI related updates)

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