

# SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications January 29, 2024

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## **Upcoming Webinars**

**ESSER FY 2023 Annual Performance Report - Intervention Participation and Expenditure Detail Reporting Review,** 1/30/24: The U.S. Department of Education will host a webinar providing a detailed review of the ESSER intervention participation questions required for Fiscal Year 2023 on Tuesday, 1/30/24, 2 pm-3 pm EST. Registration Link: ESSER Intervention Review

Strategic Planning for Continued Recovery (SPCR) Strategy Webinar: Ensure Access and Opportunity for All, 2/1/24 - In this fourth session of the SPCR webinar series, SEA teams will increase their knowledge of how to use five key levers (Grantmaking, Policy, Monitoring, Technical Assistance, and Partnerships) to support LEAs in sustaining investments that lead to equitable opportunities and outcomes for students. Thursday, 2/1/24, 4 pm-5 pm EST. Registration link: SPCR Webinar #4

## **Deadlines and Announcements**

**ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Reporting Resources:** In preparation for ESSER Year 4 (FY23), GEER and ESF-Governor Year 4 (FY23), and EANS Year 3 (FY 23) annual performance reporting, the ESF <u>Grantee Help page</u> now has APR resources available including annotated data collection forms, data dictionaries, and reporting templates. Please continue to submit any APR-related questions by email to *ESSER.GEER.EANS.AnnualReport@ed.gov*. The ESF Reporting Helpdesk can also be reached by phone at (866) 890-0913.

ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Data Collection Schedule	
ESSER/ESF-SEA	Year 4 (FY23) Initial: open 5/13/24 - 6/6/24
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 7/29/24 - 8/15/24
	Year 4 (FY23) Re-open 9/9/24 - 9/26/24
GEER/ESF-GOV	Year 4 (FY23) Initial: open 4/15/24 - 5/2/24
	Year 3 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 9/30/24 - 10/10/24
	Year 4 (FY23) Re-open 10/21/24 - 10/31/24
EANS	Year 3 (FY23) Initial: open 4/22/24 - 5/9/24
	Year 2 (FY22) Prior Year: re-open 10/7/24 - 10/17/24
	Year 3 (FY23) Re-open 10/28/24 - 11/7/24

**FY 2023 Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Update:** Final FY 2023 MOE data is due by March 15, 2024. States intending to seek a waiver of FY 2023 MOE requirements that have not already done so should submit a detailed waiver request to their State mailbox by March 15, 2024. States that have already submitted a FY 2023 MOE waiver should submit updated information, including final FY 2023 MOE expenditure data and any updates regarding State actions to address the FY 2023 MOE shortfall with additional State appropriations, to their State mailbox by March 15, 2024. Please review <a href="mailto:this communication">this communication</a> for more information on data and waiver submission requirements and deadlines.

ARP ESSER State Plan Amendments: The Department is encouraging any State considering making changes to its planned uses of American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER) funds to submit a request to amend its approved ARP ESSER State plan by Friday, March 29, 2024. Submitting by that date will help to ensure that the Department has sufficient time to review and approve the amendment so that the grantee can move forward with implementing its changes in advance of the approaching end of the period of availability for obligating ARP ESSER funds. As a reminder, a State must seek an amendment if it plans to implement different or additional evidence-based interventions than those currently described in sections D.1 (evidence-based interventions to address the academic impact of lost instructional time), D.2 (evidence-based summer enrichment), or D.3 (evidence-based afterschool programs) of its ARP ESSER State plan. States are not required to submit amendments related to uses of funds set aside for emergency needs and described in section D.4. For more information about the process for submitting an amendment, please refer to the Department's September 2022 letter to State Chief School Officers.

ARP ESSER and EANS Liquidation Extension Requests: Information regarding the process for requesting liquidation extensions for ARP ESSER and ARP EANS grants has been shared with grantees. As with the CARES Act and CRRSA Act process, grantees may request liquidation extensions for any allowable costs of the ARP ESSER or ARP EANS programs, provided such costs are properly obligated by September 30, 2024. Links: ARP ESSER and EANS Communication; FAQs; Liquidation Extension Request template

Strategic Planning for Continued Recovery (SPCR) Initiative: The SPCR initiative aims to support state educational agencies (SEAs) as they sustain effective programs funded by ESSER/ESF. The National Comprehensive Center (NCC) and the U.S. Department of Education (ED) want to learn more about your efforts to support sustainability of effective ESSER/ESF investments. Please complete this short survey to inform the content for the Cross-SEA Collaboration Sessions and individualized consultations that grantees may participate in.

Beware of emails soliciting payment for SAM.gov registration or renewal: Grantees and other entities are reporting they have received sophisticated emails that appear to be from SAM.gov. These emails include a phone number that is not for the GSA Help Desk, but rather will solicit payment to renew registration. SAM.gov is free and will never ask for payment. Please see this article from GSA, Don't Take the Bait: Beware of Misleading Marketing, Imposters, and Phishing for more information.

### **Grantee Resources**

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**CRRSA Liquidation Extension Request Template** 

CARES, CRRSA, and ARP Liquidation Extension FAQs

ARP ESSER and EANS Liquidation Extension Request

Template

**ESSER and GEER FAQs** 

ESSER and GEER FAQs - Spanish

**EANS FAQs** 

**EANS Disposition FAQs Addendum** 

ARP ESSER Maintenance of Equity FAQs

ESSER and GEER Maintenance of Effort Guidance

**ESSER Webinars and Resources** 

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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