

# SGR Newsflash: ESSER, GEER, and EANS Grantee Communications March 18, 2024

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#### **Recent Grantee Communication**

**Sent 3/15/24 CRRSA Liquidation Guidance:** Grantees received information about CRRSA Act ESSER, GEER, and EANS liquidations and liquidation extensions. While the Office of State and Grantee Relations (SGR) recommended the submission of liquidation extension requests by December 31, 2023, we continue to review requests for approval. This process is designed for up to an additional 14-month extension to the liquidation period that allows grantees and subrecipients to continue contracted activities and associated payments if timely and valid obligations were made pursuant to 34 C.F.R. §76.707, and if State and local procurement laws allow. **Link**: <u>CRRSA Liquidation Guidance</u>

## **Upcoming Webinars**

Strategic Planning for Continued Recovery (SPCR) Cross-SEA Collaboration Session: The National Comprehensive Center's SPCR subject matter experts will host the Cross-SEA Collaboration session, Making Tradeoffs to Maximize Student Outcomes on Tuesday, 3/19/24, 3:30pm-5:00pm ET. During this session you can share with and learn from other SEAs about ways to determine the cost and potential for sustainability for each intervention, discuss how SEAs and LEAs navigate budget decision trade-offs to accelerate student learning, and participate in a choice of four breakout rooms: Educator Workforce; Student and Staff Well-being; Instructional Initiatives; or strategic LEA support to make budget trade-off decisions. Following the session, you may schedule individualized consultations for your SEA with an SPCR content expert to address the unique needs of your State or Territory, and the recovery funding stream you support.

Registration link: https://westat.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkcOCqqjMuGtCsQfXSM7xpKfnVooKiQKx #/registration

**ESSER Form Review Webinar:** In preparation for Year 4 (FY23) of the ESSER Annual Performance Reporting (APR), the U.S. Department of Education will host a webinar providing a detailed review of the APR data collection form on 3/26/24, 3pm-4pm ET. As a reminder, the form can be found on the <u>ESSER Grantee Help</u> page, by expanding the Year 4 (FY23) APR Resources accordion.

**Registration Link**: <a href="https://aemcorp.webex.com/weblink/register/r881f60af7d2169ddfa88aa3465dd8919">https://aemcorp.webex.com/weblink/register/r881f60af7d2169ddfa88aa3465dd8919</a>. The webinar will be recorded, and the webinar materials will be posted to the ESSER Grantee Help page.

ARP ESSER and ARP EANS Liquidation Extension Office Hours: SGR will host two office hours sessions, on Thursday, 4/25/24 at 3pm ET, and Tuesday, 5/21/24 at 3pm ET, to review the ARP ESSER and ARP EANS liquidation extension request submission process and address questions from grantees. Please pre-register here:

**4/25/24 3pm ET Registration link:** <a href="https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/rbd68d25be9bbaa1825f6d69055919124">https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/rbd68d25be9bbaa1825f6d69055919124</a> **5/21/24 3pm ET Registration link:** <a href="https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/r180392dadf099ea0766fe41fa514353d">https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/r180392dadf099ea0766fe41fa514353d</a>
Questions may be submitted prior to each session through your State mailbox at [StateName].OESE@ed.gov.
Liquidation extension resources are available through these links: <a href="https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/rbd68d25be9bbaa1825f6d69055919124">https://intellor.webex.com/weblink/register/r180392dadf099ea0766fe41fa514353d</a>
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Liquidation extension Request template

## **Deadlines and Announcements**

ARP ESSER State Plan Amendments: Any State considering making changes to its planned uses of ARP ESSER funds should submit a request to amend its approved ARP ESSER State plan by Friday, 3/29/24. 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, D.2, or D.3 of its ARP ESSER State plan. States are not required to submit amendments related to uses of funds set aside for emergency needs as described in section D.4. For more information see the Department's 9/19/22 communication to Chief State School Officers.

# PAST DUE - Deadline for FY 2023 Maintenance of Equity (MOEquity) Small LEA Tolerance Proposals (3/15/24):

Because the submission deadline has now passed, States that would like to submit a small LEA tolerance proposal (see #21(a) of MOEquity FAQs) for FY 2023 should contact their program officer immediately through their State mailbox with an anticipated submission date.

PAST DUE – Deadline for FY 2023 Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Data and Waivers (3/15/24): Final FY 2023 MOE data was due on 3/15/24. Because the submission deadline has now passed, States intending to seek a waiver of FY 2023 MOE requirements that have not already done so should contact their program officer immediately through their State mailbox with an anticipated submission date.

**ESSER, GEER, and EANS Annual Performance Reporting (APR) Resources:** The <u>ESSER Grantee Help</u> page 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
	Year 5 (FY24) TBD
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
	Year 4 (FY24) TBD

#### **Grantee Resources**

**SGR Deadlines and Announcements** 

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** 

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