

Upcoming Webinar!

DPI EHCY State Coordinators will be hosting quarterly webinars throughout this school year. **The first webinar is on Wednesday, October 30th from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.** This webinar will be focused on the Identification and Enrollment of Students Experiencing Homelessness. We will be sharing McKinney-Vento requirements and strategies on this topic. We will also be joined by staff from the Eau Claire Area School District to hear about practices they are doing in the areas of enrollment and identification.

Please register here: <https://forms.gle/4zXF6UJuduqGzWfu5>

An email with information on how to connect will be sent out after registration.

Homeless Student Data Available on WISEdash Public

Data that is reported from school districts on students identified as homeless is now available to view in the WISEdash public portal. Currently, student assessment data is available from the 2018-19 school year and can be viewed by homeless subgroup. Additional data will be available to view by homeless subgroup after the data snapshot is taken in December. DPI has already been collecting this data; we are finally making it available within WISEdash. Homeless liaisons should also work with their district data staff to view homeless data in WISEdash for districts. DPI EHCY State Coordinators encourage liaisons to use this data to better support students experiencing homelessness.

Homeless Liaison Directory

Please make sure that your district's homeless liaison information has been updated in the school directory application. This directory is used by parents, homeless liaisons, and other district personnel to contact the correct person regarding students experiencing homelessness and shared transportation costs. The directory must be updated by someone in the district with a WAMS ID. Further instructions are located on the [DPI EHCY website](#).

Homeless Liaison Required Training

Under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, reauthorized under the Every Student Succeeds Act, the State Coordinator can require local homeless liaisons to participate in professional development. McKinney-Vento specifies the duties of the liaison from 42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(6)(A) to include that the liaison will "participate in professional development and other technical assistance activities as determined appropriate by the State Coordinator [42 U.S.C. §11432(g)(1)(J)(iv)]".

In spring of 2019, 100 new liaisons completed this required training. In fall of 2019, DPI EHCY staff will again be reaching out to new liaisons to require professional development. New liaisons can expect to receive that communication soon. Please make sure that the homeless liaison directory is up to date, as the new liaison list will be pulled from there.

SchoolHouse Connection Scholarship

The deadline to apply for the SchoolHouse Connection Youth Leadership Scholarship is November 10, 2019. Students are eligible to apply if they have experienced homelessness in the last six years. Please visit the [SchoolHouse Connection Scholarship website](#) for additional information and FAQs.

Feedback Surveys

Please consider completing this short [Google survey](#) to help DPI staff provide you with professional development opportunities tailored to your needs. This will help inform us of topics you would like to see covered during the quarterly webinars!

We have also recently updated our website and would appreciate your feedback! Please fill out [this 2 minute survey](#) for website feedback.

eBrief Sign-Up

If you know of others who would like to receive this eBrief, please share [this link](#) so they can be added to our mailing list.

UHY Module!

DPI EHCY staff is excited to announce a new training module focusing on Unaccompanied Homeless Youth (UHY). This module is intended for homeless liaisons and other school staff to gain an understanding of the circumstances UHY experience and the requirements under McKinney-Vento to support these students.

[Unaccompanied Homeless Youth: Training and Guidance](#)

State Coordinator Corner

Karen and Kristine are busy planning professional development opportunities, including the upcoming webinar and workshops in CESA 3 this fall.

Clara is gearing up for EHCY compliance monitoring for the year. Districts that will be monitored in 2019-20 have already been notified. Any district can use the [monitoring guidance](#) to assess their own program.

A new three-year grant cycle for the EHCY grant will begin in 2020. Watch for announcements about the application and the due date this spring!

Resources

[DPI EHCY website](#)
[NCHE](#)
[NAEHCY](#)
[SchoolHouse Connection McKinney-Vento Act](#)
[McKinney-Vento Non-Regulatory Guidance](#)

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Picture taken after the EHCY staff strategic planning session in August
(Dan, Karen, Kristine & Clara)

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