This week's <u>ESSER/GEER Extra</u> focuses on ESSER reporting and ongoing ESSER office hours.

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ESSER Reporting

As noted in previous issues of <u>ESSER/GEER Extra</u>, the U.S. Department of Education (USDE) has provided the <u>final data collection template for its annual ESSER reporting</u>. We encourage all entities receiving ESSER funds (through the CARES Act, CRRSA Act, and/or the ARP Act) to review the USDE data collection template to understand the types of financial and other information that will be collected this spring.

PDE is currently working to build the reporting template for LEAs. It will be built as a template in PIMS, and LEAs will receive more information—including instructions for reporting—by the end of March.

The ESSER reporting is due to PDE on April 29, 2022. The ESSER data collection (which has NOT yet been released for reporting in PIMS) has been added to the PIMS collection calendar. The calendar indicates a deadline of April 7, however, this is simply to encourage folks to begin and complete the data collection early. **You will have until April 29 to complete the data collection request.**

ESSER Guidance

PDE Office Hours: PDE ESSER office hours will continue beyond March 17, 2022, to allow entities to continue to ask questions about revisions to ESSER applications and to provide assistance with ESSER annual reporting. These office hours will continue to be held every **Monday from 1-2 PM** and every **Thursday from 9-10 AM.** Join the office hours.

PAFPC Annual Conference: The PA Association of Federal Programs Coordinators (PAFPC) Annual Conference will be held April 3-6, 2022. The conference will cover all things federal funding, including information about ESSER and ESSER performance reporting. <u>Register for the PAFPC conference</u>.