

**Federal Title Program Development Process** 

## Mini - Lesson GMS Budgets and Consolidated Application

*For Field Use Only* NH Department of Education Office of ESEA Programs Bureau of Instructional Support

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### Agenda | GMS Budgets and Consolidated Application

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### Part 1 | Purpose

Presently, the Grants Management System (GMS), acts as the application for various ESEA Title Programs. However, this process does not meet the requirements of certain grants, which require further information and affirmation to be eligible to receive a subaward.

To ensure that as a state educational agency (SEA) and you ,the local educational agency (LEA), are meeting the requirements of ESSA legislation, the New Hampshire Department of Education (NHED) is proposing a consolidated application for the ESEA Title Programs. The GMS system will still act as the budgetary system and activities will still need to go through the approval process.



### Part 2 | Current Process

- 1. Submit General Assurances- April
- 2. Submit Program Assurances- April
- 3. (If applicable) Submit Equitable Services Affirmation- May/June
- 4. NHED issues subawards to ALL eligible LEAs
- 5. Start Budgets- July
- 6. Enter Activities into GMS- July (up to 27 months depending on grant)
- 7. Grant closeout/liquidation period
- 8. Left over money goes back to U.S. Dept. of Education



### Part 2 | Current Process

2021-2022 Grant Balances	Amount Returned
Title I, Part A	\$2,952,917.72
Title II, Part A	\$3,165,211.75
Title III, Part A	\$196,146.35
Title IV, Part A	\$1,254,670.15
Title IV, Part B	\$2,060,355.93
Title V (RLIS)	\$0.00



### Part 3 | Intent to Apply

Do you feel like you've opted in/out of participating in a program before?

It's because you do, on the Program Assurances!

Does NHED still issue you an award even if you've opted out of participating?

Yes, we do!



### Part 3 | Intent to Apply

To fix this, NHED will review the opt in/out selections and recalculate grant allocations for ESEA Title programs.

Currently, we are issuing intent to apply documents to **only** those LEA's that have not budgeted anything within their grant. If you have started your budgets, we will not send you anything.

After the deadline, NHED will reallocate any funding voluntarily relinquished to those LEA's that have opt in to participate.

This will reduce the amount of funding that is returned to the U.S. Department of Ed.



# Part 4 | GMS Budgets

### Budgets Due 12/31/2023!

- Most ESEA Title programs that require an application (vs. a plan) state that as part of the application, prior to receiving a subaward, the LEA must include how they plan to utilize their funding.
- Title II, Part A specifically states, "a description of the activities to be carried out by the local educational agency under this section and how these activities will be aligned with challenging State academic standards."
- Title III, Part A states, "describe the effective programs and activities, including language instruction educational programs, proposed to be developed, implemented, and administered under the subgrant that will help English learners increase their English language proficiency and meet the challenging State academic standards."



### Part 5 | Consolidated Application

#### Proposal

- Spring 2024 *or* 2025 NHED release a consolidated application that addresses the specific requirements of each ESEA Title Program including, but not limited to:
  - 1. General Assurances
  - 2. Program Assurances
  - 3. Equitable Services Affirmation
  - 4. General description of activities for each grant
  - 5. Title I, Part A LEA plan
  - 6. Various questions/requirements identified by each program according to ESSA legislation.
- NHED collects all information at the same time, in one system, to be reviewed/approved prior to a subaward being issued.



### Part 5 | Consolidated Application

### **Proposal Continued**

- The application will require a general description of activities
- GMS will still be utilized for specific activities and will need to go through the substantial/final approval process
  - 1. This allows the LEA flexibility in finalizing activities
  - 2. The grant can still be returned to edit activities
  - 3. Expectation would remain that the budget should be near finalization come December 31<sup>st</sup>
  - 4. Funding will **not** be swept after that point
  - 5. Funding can only be returned to NHED if the LEA makes a written statement authorizing the return of funds.



### Part 5 | Consolidated Application

#### **Proposal Continued**

- Envisioning a one-stop-shop system, which includes all assurances, affirmations, Title I LEA plans, and answers all questions pertinent to receiving a subaward for ESEA Title Programs
- Potential to include IDEA and Perkins?



### Part 6 | Questions/Input



