

New Coordinator's Pathways Program

Session #5 Monitoring: Federal and Subgrantee

August 14, 2024 @ 2:00-3 :00pm EST

Session Overview

Participants will:

- Overview of Pathways and steps for next year
- Explore the statutes surrounding monitoring
- Hear from Program Officers at the Department of Education on the federal monitoring process
- Hear from a State coordinator who was recently monitored.
- Explore newly released resources that outline the SEAs responsibility to monitor.

Introductions & Housekeeping

- Name
- State
- Ice Breaker: "What was your favorite grade of school as a student?" OR if you were a teacher, "What was your favorite grade or subject to teach?"

Monitoring

- What is the purpose of monitoring?
- Definition from <u>New Coordinator Handbook</u>: NDTAC defines monitoring as a process to ensure compliance with applicable State and Federal laws. This includes:
 - The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
 - Uniform administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for federal Awards (Uniform Guidance: 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200)
 - o EDGAR-Education Department General Administrative Regulations
 - o The monitoring process helps ED and SEAs to:
 - Ensure compliance •

- Identify technical assistance needs
- Identify trends (both positive and negative)
- Highlight promising practices
- Build relationships with subgrantees
- Mitigate risk

Federal Monitoring

- Discussion on the difference between federal and SEA monitoring. Let's start with Federal Monitoring.
- Share with the group the <u>federal monitoring protocol</u>
- Introduction of Program Officer Jeff Buehler
 - Questions for Jeff:
 - Can you tell us a little about the overall process for selecting states to be monitored?
 - If a state is selected for monitoring, how will they be notified and what does the pre-monitoring process and support look like?
 - What should a State coordinator expect during the actual monitoring? Who should be involved in the monitoring? How many days? How many subgrantees are interviewed?
 - How will SCs be made aware of any areas of non-compliance and what is the process for resolving these issues?
- past federal monitoring reports
- Introduction of Jeff Hoover, State Coordinator for NV who was recently monitored.
 - Ouestions for Jeff H.:
 - Leading up to the monitoring, what did you expect?
 - Going into the monitoring process, you had to prepare and upload a lot of information. How did you go about organizing, collecting, and posting all of the artifacts?
 - What did you learn about your own program from the monitoring process?
 - What advice would you give a State coordinator that may be monitored in the next year or two?
 - How did the monitoring experience compare to your expectations?

Subgrantee Monitoring

- Walk through of the Subgrantee Monitoring Section in the <u>new coordinators handbook</u> highlighting the responsibilities and authority granted in the CFR. This discussion will include:
 - Risk assessments
 - Monitoring schedules
 - Monitoring protocols and guidelines

- o Ensuring LEAs and SAs are monitoring facilities
- Monitoring follow-up
- NDTAC <u>Monitoring Menu</u> and walk through some of the key elements of this document and how they can use it.

Questions

Evaluation

 NDTAC evaluation team will conduct an evaluation of the Pathways program for this year during this session. This will take place the last 10-15 minutes of the session.

Resources

- TIPD main page
- Non-Regulatory Guidance
- federal monitoring protocol
- New Coordinator Handbook
- NDTAC Monitoring Menu
- past federal monitoring reports
- May 2023 NDTAC Webinar: Monitoring An Overview of Federal and State
 Responsibilities | NDTAC: Technical Assistance Center for the Education of Youth
 Who Are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk
- 2022 NDTAC Webinar: Title I, Part D Program Monitoring Updates and Overview | NDTAC: Technical Assistance Center for the Education of Youth Who Are Neglected, Delinquent, or At-Risk