

WHAT'S NEW IN ESSA?

QUICK FACTS: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The Department of Health and Human Services has provided funds for two grants to improve Early Childhood Education across the US through the Every Student Succeeds Act

IDENTIFY AREAS FOR GROWTH

ESSA offers Washington the opportunity to improve communication, collaboration, and delivery of the state's mixed delivery early childhood education system. Washington will conduct a needs assessment on the availability and quality of existing programs, including children in programs and awaiting programs.

STATEWIDE COLLABORATION

ESSA encourages providers to collaborate and coordinate with others across the state to improve the system as a whole by sharing best practices. It also allows OSPI to develop and implement professional development opportunities for Early Childhood Education providers.

IMPROVED ACCESS AND EQUITY

ESSA provides for the implementation of programs in areas underserved by Early Childhood Education programs. ESSA also allows for the development of new programs to address previously unidentified needs.



For more information on the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), visit:
<http://bit.ly/ESSA-WA>