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A bi-monthly digest of helpful tips and resources for serving children and youth experiencing homelessness
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Tip of the Month



United States Interagency
Council on Homelessness

Enhancing Coordinated Entry through Partnerships with Mainstream Resources and Programs

“Coordinated entry processes have the potential to ensure that individuals and families have ready access to all the resources they need based on an individualized assessment of their needs and strengths. These resources should include federal, state, and local programs that serve the broader community and are not specifically tailored to individuals or families experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. We refer to these non-targeted supports as “mainstream” resources and programs.”

https://www.usich.gov/resources/uploads/asset_library/Coordinated_Entry_Brief.pdf

Resource of the Month



A New Resource from SchoolHouse Connections: Making Your School District’s Website a McKinney-Vento Tool

“The McKinney-Vento Act as amended by ESSA requires school district liaisons to ensure that public notice of educational rights is disseminated in “locations frequented by parents, guardians, and unaccompanied youth,” in a “manner and form understandable to them.” Today, many families and youth get information from the internet. This makes it important for school district websites to contain information about the McKinney-Vento Act. Is your school district’s website a McKinney-Vento tool? We’ve created a simple guide to help.”

Download the guide here:

<https://www.schoolhouseconnection.org/making-your-school-district-websites-mckinney-vento-tools/>

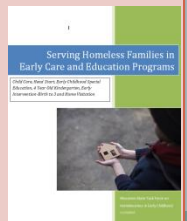
Early Childhood Focus

“Serving Homeless Families in Early Care and Education Programs”

The *Wisconsin State Task Force on Homelessness in Early Childhood* recently completed a tool kit to support early care and education programs around serving homeless families. The tool kit outlines federal regulations as well as a wealth of information about strategies for best serving the needs of families experiencing homelessness.

You can receive a copy by contacting the **Child Care Information Center** at 1-800-362-7353 **Local:** 608-224-5388 **Email:** ccic@wi.gov

An electronic version will be made available soon along with training modules. We will keep you updated on the progress.





Resource Links

[Wisconsin Homeless Liaison Directory](#)

[Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#)

[National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth \(NAEHYC\)](#)

[Administration for Children and Families](#)

[National Center for Homeless Education](#)

[First Focus: Campaign for Children](#)

[Horizon's for Homeless Children](#)

[Head Start Early Childhood Knowledge and Learning Center](#)

[Institute for Child Poverty and Homelessness](#)

[National Alliance to End Homelessness](#)

[Center for the Study of Social Policy](#)

[School House Connection](#)

[The United States Interagency Council on Homelessness](#)

Update : Wisconsin Task Force on Homelessness in Early Childhood

The Task Force on Homelessness in Early Childhood recently completed the compilation and printing of the resource guide, ***“Serving Homeless Families in Early Care and Education Programs”*** (see reference on page 1.)

Upcoming activities include the development of an electronic version of the guide to be posted on the Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners web page, developing a series of training modules to compliment the resource guide and developing data collection guidance for programs serving young children who are homeless.

Stay tuned for updates as the work progresses.

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