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MEMORANDUM

TO: McKinney-Vento Fiscal Agents and Liaisons

FROM: Michael W. Radke, Ph.D. 
Director Office of Field Services

SUBJECT: McKinney Vento Self-Assessment Checklist

In preparation for the new McKinney Vento Homeless Education grant cycle, Local Educational Agencies (LEA) have been asked to complete and submit the Self-Assessment Checklist in GEMS by December 15, 2015. The purpose of the Self-Assessment is to help local programs in reflecting upon their own practices and procedures with regards to serving homeless students, to ensure alignment with the federal legislation and requirements, and to assist MDE in monitoring the local homeless education programs.

We encourage Local Educational Agencies and McKinney Vento fiscal agents to complete the Self-Assessment and improve their practices toward serving all homeless education students timely and effectively. However, in order to provide more flexibility to LEAs and fiscal agents, we are now requiring the submission of the Self-Assessment Checklist to MDE via GEMS **only** if the LEA or fiscal agent is scheduled for an onsite or desk review.

The following fiscal agents and their respective consortium member districts have been selected for the MDE monitoring reviews during the 2014/15 school year: Adrian Public Schools, Branch ISD, Genesee ISD, Iosco RESA, Marquette-Alger RESA, Mecosta-Osceola ISD, Newaygo County RESA, Oakland ISD, St. Joseph ISD, Traverse City Area Public Schools and Washtenaw ISD.

These fiscal agents and their respective consortium members who have not yet submitted the Self-Assessment Checklist, may submit the document in GEMS by January 15. Please email questions to LaTrese Royal at RoyalL@michigan.gov or call her at 517-373-9524.

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