Update from ESSA implementation research proposal meeting:

Attendees: Gayle Pauley- WA; Mary Mulloy - VT; Chad Lochmiller – Indiana University; Marcus Cheeks A+ Events (on behalf of NASTID)

Call began at 2 PM EST; Mary and Gayle had problems logging in but were able to join the call quickly.

Gayle requested Chad give an overview of the proposal and questions were offered after the overview. Purpose of proposal is to research implementation of ESSA across country and potentially offer resources to title I Directors based on findings of this research.

Chad is requesting to work with State Title I Directors in researching early implementation efforts as states roll out ESSA.

Phase 1 - Chad and his research team will be requesting one-hour conference calls with all state directors (Mary suggested Chad and his team look specifically at seasoned personnel within each state); funding will be initiated by Indiana University

Phase 2 - depending on funding will take place in the fall of 2017 with a deeper discussion with specific states; more than likely states that are moving very quickly in their implementation processes will be selected for this phase; funding is contingent upon approval of a grant with WT Grant Foundation

NASTID members appeared to be supportive of the research and will provide a more detailed update to the board during its next meeting.

Next steps: NASTID Board will need to consider participation in the study. If approved, will need to provide a letter of support prior to phase 2 request for funding. Verbal confirmation by December 15 is welcomed to initiate phase I.

Recorder: Marcus E. Cheeks