Title I, Part D Frequently Asked Questions

1. Q: What is an institution for neglected children?

A: ESSA 1432(4)(A) defines an institution for neglected children as, "a public or private residential facility, other than a foster home, that is operated for the care of children who have been committed to the institution or voluntarily placed in the institution under applicable State law, due to abandonment, neglect, or death of their parents or guardians." [20 U.S.C. 6472]

2. Q: What is an institution for delinquent children?

A: ESSA 1432(4)(B) defines an institution for delinquent children as, "A public or private residential facility for the care of children who have been adjudicated to be delinquent or in need of supervision." [20 U.S.C. 6472]

3. Q: What is the definition of "at-risk"?

A: ESSA 1432(2) states, "the term 'at-risk', when used with respect to a child, youth, or student, means a school aged individual who is at-risk of academic failure, dependency adjudication, or delinquency adjudication, has a drug or alcohol problem, is pregnant or is a parent, has come into contact with the juvenile justice system or child welfare system in the past, is at least 1 year behind the expected grade level for the age of the individual, is an English learner, is a gang member, has dropped out of school in the past, or has a high absenteeism rate at school." [20 U.S.C. 6472]

4. Q: Who does Title I, Part D serve?

A: Title I, Part D serves students in various settings, including those who reside in juvenile detention facilities and juvenile and adult correctional facilities, those residing in neglected facilities, and those attending programs directed at preventing school dropout or delinquent involvement.