

WELCOME NEW COMMISSIONERS

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2019 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING October 23-24, 2019



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MIC3-MISA MOU RENEWAL



The Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3), has been working to ensure successful transitions for military dependents by bringing states together to address challenges facing transitions, create awareness, and provide training and technical assistance.

MIC3 has made great strides in this area in recent years through Commissioner training at its Annual Business Meeting (ABM), by providing in-state training by state councils and school liaison officers, and holding briefings and presentations at national conferences. MIC3's training initiatives were further bolstered when they teamed up with the Military Impacted Schools Association (MISA), a proven organization championing the cause for military students and their families.

MISA, one of the original ex-officio members of MIC3, approached the Commission with an offer to further expand the scope of its training and support, at no cost, to engage and educate audiences across the country.

"The Commission appreciates ex-officio members like MISA for their support of the Compact," said Cherise Imai, MIC3 Executive Director.

The first Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed in August 2017 and renewed in 2017. Ms. Imai recognized MISA Executive Director Kyle Fairbairn and MISA Board Chair Kieth Mispagel for their leadership and commitment. The MOU is effective for a year starting September 1, 2019.



MIC3 TEAM WELCOMES NEW COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATE

The Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3) welcomes Beth Workman to the team as its new communications associate. Workman comes to the commission with a broad background working in non-profit, for-profit and government agencies.

Beth Workman has a master of public administration from Kentucky State University and a bachelor's degree in communications and marketing from the University of Kentucky. Her past experience includes grants and program management at the Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence as well as for the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Most recently she worked as the marketing and business development manager at a design and engineering firm.

"Beth brings an excellent blend of communications, marketing, policy and operations experience to MIC3," said Cherise Imai, executive director of MIC3. "Coupled with her passion for serving children and the community, she is a great fit to our team."



Beth Workman (pictured here) has two dogs, a cat and a turtle. She is training for her third marathon and enjoys kayaking.

Public Health in Schools Meets Religious and Philosophical Beliefs

By Tom Kelly, Education Commission of the States

In the past year, New York City saw [a large scale measles outbreak](#), bringing forth [news stories](#) and public discourse around whether states should permit exemption from vaccines on religious or philosophical grounds. Given the current climate, policymakers across the country face a situation where public opinion and

personal beliefs meet research from organizations like Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that document how immunizations prevented more than 21 million hospitalizations and 732,000 child deaths in the United States over the past two decades.

What is the state policy landscape?

All [50 states](#) and the District of Columbia have policies requiring vaccines for students and providing exemptions to students with documented medical reasons for not being vaccinated. All but four states ([California](#), [Mississippi](#), [New York](#) and [West Virginia](#)) allow exemptions for religious beliefs. Sixteen states allow philosophical exemptions for people objecting to immunizations for personal, moral or other beliefs. [Read More](#)



What do the Compact rules say?

SEC. 3.102 (a): Application for Transfer of Student Records and Enrollment: *Immunizations – Compacting States shall give thirty (30) calendar days from the date of enrollment. For a series of immunizations, initial vaccinations must be obtained within thirty (30) calendar days.*

Note: Tuberculosis tests are not immunizations therefore students must have a negative read before attending school.

COMPACT APPLICATION Chapter 400 Graduation

Chapter 400, Section 4.101 provides for graduation waiver requirements.

(a) Local Education Agency administrative officials shall waive specific courses required for graduation if similar course work has been satisfactorily completed in another LEA or shall provide reasonable justification for denial. Should a waiver not be granted to a student who would qualify to graduate from the sending school, the LEA shall provide an alternative means of acquiring required coursework so that graduation may occur on time. If the receiving LEA requires a graduation project, volunteer community service hours, or other State or LEA specific requirements, the receiving LEA may waive those requirements.

In one recent case, a military family of a high school senior informed the new school counselor about the compact. The student was unable to meet the graduation requirements of the new school. Based on the compact, the student was eligible to receive a reciprocal diploma from the sending school if graduation requirements were met. As a result, the school counselor contacted the national office to verify the provision and requested a copy of the rules book.

NEW RULES AND PROMULGATION

The updated Rule Book and Promulgation Guide are posted on the website!

[Click here for Rule Book](#)

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CALENDAR



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

September 19, 2019 | 2:00 pm (ET)

Ad Hoc LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

September 23, 2019 | 1:00 pm (ET)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

September 24, 2019 | 11:00 am (ET)

TRAINING COMMITTEE

September 24, 2019 | 1:00 pm (ET)

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