## What is MEHP?

MEHP is a collaborative partnership model that provides advocacy and outreach activities to help eligible migrant students and their families gain access to comprehensive health, nutrition, and social services through healthcare providers and partnership organizations free of charge.

### Services include:

- Physical & Dental Exams
- Vision & Hearing
- Mental Health Services
- Other Medical Referrals



# The Migrant Education Health Program

was designed with the intent to eliminate barriers that impede migrant student's access to school and community health services, and help overcome health-related problems that inhibit their ability to succeed in school such as:

- low-income
- language
- migratory lifestyle



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# Who is eligible?

An individual that is not older than 21 years of age, who:

- 1. Is entitled to a free public education (through grade 12) under State law, or is not yet at a grade level at which the district provides a free public education.
- 2. Made a qualifying move in the preceding 36 months as a migratory agricultural worker or a migratory fisher, or did so with, or to join a parent/guardian or spouse who is a migratory agricultural worker or a migratory fisher;
- 3. Moved due to economic necessity from one residence to another residence, and from one school district to another for employment in the agriculture.

Child's immigration status is not a consideration for any health care coverage.

# How can I access services?

Speak with your school district's Migrant Education Program to determine eligibility. Once eligibility is determined, you can begin receiving services.

MEHP serves as a referral service collaborating with community resource agencies to provide information and/or services for migrant families. However, some services are provided directly by MEHP such as physicals, dental exams, eye glasses, and other medical referrals.



### What can MEHP cover?

#### Preventive services or provide treatment on an emergency or one-time basis. Free of charge.

(e.g., medical and dental screenings, vision, hearing, immunizations, health education, food security, mental health, homelessness, reproductive health education, and other medical referrals).



### **Emergency or One-time Treatment**

#### Given the level of costs sometimes associated with health services, services are limited to:

e.g., Infections, fractures, open wounds, tooth extractions/repairs, eye glasses, and behavioral intervention needs. (e.g., threats of abuse, neglect, suicide, etc.

## What can MEHP not cover?

Ongoing or long-term health services:

e.g., non-emergency surgeries, treatment of chronic illness or diseases, orthodontia [Braces], other long-term services regardless of whether these services are also preventive.