Washington State Department of Health (WSDOH) partners with the Washington Pell Grant Program to encourage postsecondary education for Homeless Youth. The Pell Grant Program provides federal financial aid to students who are enrolled in postsecondary education programs. Students who are homeless or at risk of homelessness are eligible for Pell Grants. For more information, please visit: [Washington State Department of Health](https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/youth.pdf).

**McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act:**

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act is a federal law that requires all public schools to provide equitable educational opportunities for homeless children and youth. The act mandates that schools provide homeless children and youth with the same educational opportunities as their counterparts who are housed. For more information, please visit: [McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act](https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/youth.pdf).

**Mature Minor Doctrine:**

Mature Minor Doctrine is a legal principle that allows minors to make certain decisions without the consent of a parent or guardian. Under this doctrine, minors may consent to medical treatment, marry, or enter into other binding legal agreements if they demonstrate the maturity and capacity to do so. For more information, please visit: [Mature Minor Doctrine](https://nche.ed.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/youth.pdf).
Vaccine Locator (vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov) offers a way for those who are 65 and older to find a health provider offering COVID-19 vaccines. This can be done online or by calling the WA State Department of Health Care-Van (825-525-0127). McKinney-Vento clients may also call civil.rights@doh.wa.gov for assistance.