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MEMORANDUM

TO: School Districts, Community-Based Organizations and Florida College System Institutions Providing Adult Education Programs

FROM: Ashley Meros, Ph.D.

DATE: August 17, 2026

SUBJECT: **Implementation of Rule 6A-6.014, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), General Requirements for Adult General Education Programs**

Amendments to Rule 6A-6.014, F.A.C., governing general enrollment criteria that must be met by students prior to enrolling in all adult general education programs, other than Adult High School Co-Enrolled, became effective August 5, 2026. This amendment requires school districts, community-based organizations and Florida College System institutions to verify students are a United States citizen or lawfully present in the United States. Adult Education providers must establish and implement written policies to verify that students are United States citizens or lawfully present in the United States. Such policies must be applied consistently to all students and in a nondiscriminatory manner.

Implementation Guidance:

This enrollment criterion should be applied to all adult education students enrolled in your agency's 2027 spring term/semester and thereafter.

When developing written policies, adult education providers should consult with their legal counsel to determine which forms of verification are acceptable for confirming that a student is a United States citizen or is lawfully present in the United States.

- Examples of verification that may be used to confirm United States citizenship or lawful presence can include, but are not limited to, a birth certificate, a U.S. passport, permanent resident documentation or a valid visa, as determined by the provider's written policies.

Ensure your institution's written policies are communicated to enrollment staff and other appropriate personnel. These policies must be applied consistently to all students and in a nondiscriminatory manner.

For questions, please email FloridaAdultEducation@fldoe.org or call 850-245-0454.

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