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Statewide E-mail to Adult Education Directors (district and college)

Colleagues,

Regarding the e-mail about NRS Issue Papers which was sent earlier today (see below), please note that the attachments have been updated as follows: (1) The duplicate document (secondary measures/Issue Paper 3) has been removed; (2) the teacher credential document (which had accidentally been omitted) has been added; and (3) The documents have been renamed to reflect their Issue number. For clarification, Issue Paper 4 is not being considered at this time and is not included in the attachments. The employment, secondary credential, postsecondary, and GED Issue Papers are the only ones that will result in changes for the next two years.

We hope this update and clarification will assist you.

Thank you.

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Colleagues,

The USDOE's Office of Vocational and Adult Education (OVAE) convened the National Reporting System (NRS) Congress during August in Washington, D.C. to discuss changes to the NRS.

Based on input from state directors and other considerations, OVAE is proposing to implement the following changes to the NRS on July 1, 2011:

- Eliminating goal setting requirements for the employment measures and requiring employment measures to be collected on all unemployed participants in the labor force. Retained employment would be collected on all employed participants. The exit requirement and time periods for collection of these data will be unchanged and remain as currently required.
- Eliminating goal setting for secondary credential attainment in favor of requiring reporting of the total number of all students who take the GED tests, and who pass all of the GED tests. For implementation on July 1, 2012, OVAE is proposing the following changes:
 - Eliminating goal setting for the postsecondary education entry measure and instead requiring automatic designation of all students who have earned a GED, have a secondary credential or are enrolled in a transition class, as the cohort for which this measure must be tracked.
 - Implementing a new GED track for students who score at the ASE level on any NRS-approved assessment. States would not be required to posttest students in this track, and attaining a secondary credential would be the only reportable outcome for these students.

After the 2010 NRS Congress, OVAE engaged in discussions about collecting data on teacher credentials and student educational attainment. The new Issue Papers include tables that are proposed as *required* data to be reported annually to the NRS.

Each of the Issue Papers, as well as the tables for teacher credentials and student educational attainment, are attached. We do not anticipate significant changes to the district or college student database; however, we will be in contact with adult education deans and directors and MIS staff should there be minor changes for reporting. There are no changes to current reporting rules.

If you have comments or other input regarding these changes, please contact Zelda Rogers at 850-245-9906 or <u>Zelda.Rogers@fldoe.org</u>, or contact Mark Baird at 850-245-9060 or <u>Mark.Baird@fldoe.org</u> by October 15, 2010.

Thank you.

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