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TO: District Adult Education Directors

Florida College System Adult Education Directors

FROM: Henry Mack, Chancellor, Career and Adult Education

DATE: July 24, 2020

SUBJECT: Guidance on the Remote Testing for NRS Approved Assessments

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Education issued Emergency Order 20-01, that waived Rule 6A-6.014 (4) (a) 1, F.A.C., providing adult education programs the flexibility to enroll students in adult education programs without administering an approved NRS pre-test. This waiver runs consecutively with the Governor's Executive Order 20-52 and is currently effective through September 7, 2020. Questions concerning whether the waiver is still effective or not should be directed to adulteducation@fldoe.org

The Division of Career and Adult Education (Division) has provided guidance that agencies could use local discretion to provisionally assign an EFL for the purpose of placing new students in an NRS eligible adult education program. The Division further advised that as soon as testing becomes available, agencies would need to pre-test students utilizing an approved NRS pre-test and adjust the initial provisional EFL placement based on the pre-test, either an in-person administration or a remote test administration.

The Division has issued guidance allowing for the administration of secure remote testing of approved NRS pre-tests. Please see the Florida Adult Education Assessment Technical Assistance Paper here; see pages 11 and 21-27.

Agencies may use local discretion on using remote testing with your students. Information on the remote testing policy for GED[®], which is not an approved NRS assessment, is also available on page 26.

For adult education program and instructional delivery information, please contact Carol Bailey at Carol.bailey@fldoe.org.

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