Statewide Email

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TO: Career center directors and district postsecondary CTE contacts.

Via: Chancellor2@fldoe.org

SUBJECT: Section 35 Program Inventory

In a recent communication (see attached), I indicated the Labor Market Estimating Conference’s (LMEC) determinations are fundamental to successful implementation of many provisions from House Bill (HB) 1507. These include, but are not limited to, the Money-Back Guarantee program, the Master Credential List, and the provisions of Section 35 for new program approval, expedited approval, and the establishment of minimum frameworks for non-credit instructional programs. As such, the timelines for Section 35 implementation have shifted in order to accommodate the LMEC’s adjusted timeline for production of a rigorous statistical methodology anticipated for release in early fall.

We have updated the Program Inventory Resource Guide and Frequently Asked Questions document located HERE to reflect new timelines related to the implementation of Section 35. Those adjusted timelines include the following:

- The Credential Review Committee anticipated adoption of a Framework of Quality (fall 2022).
- FDOE to amend forms related to new program approval requests to align to the framework of quality (fall 2022), effective for new programs in 2023-24 and thereafter.
- FDOE to create expedited review forms that incorporate the six statutory criteria (anticipated spring 2023) effective for performance funding consideration in 2023-24 and thereafter.
- FDOE to use the information collected through the inventory to create minimum frameworks for non-credit programs (anticipated spring 2023).

Please note that there are no timeline changes with respect to the 2021-22 workforce program inventory that is currently underway and due on or before April 15, 2022. However, under the new timeline, active programs in 2021-22 and 2022-23 will be grandfathered for performance funding purposes. As such, FDOE will collect an inventory of all workforce education programs active in the 2022-23 year (May-June 2022) through the FloridaShines Catalog, using the 2021-22 inventory as a starting point.

We will communicate as soon as we have direction on implementation of the other components of HB 1507. Many thanks, and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.