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[ED Intent To Receive Public Feedback for the Development of Proposed Regulations and Establish Negotiated Rulemaking Committee, 90 Federal Register 14741, April 3, 2025](#)

INTENT TO NEGOTIATE: We announce our intention to host public hearings and establish one or more negotiated rulemaking committees to prepare proposed regulations on various programs authorized under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA) (title IV, HEA programs). The Department invites public feedback, especially addressing topics which may include Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF), Pay As You Earn (PAYE), Income-Contingent Repayment (ICR), or other topics that would streamline current federal student financial assistance programs.

COMMENTS DUE: May 5, 2025

[EXECUTIVE ORDER 14258 - Extending the TikTok Enforcement Delay, 90 Federal Register 15209, April 9, 2025](#)

EXECUTIVE ORDER: Extension. (a) The enforcement delay specified in section 2(a) of [Executive Order 14166](#) of January 20, 2025 (Application of Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act to TikTok), is further extended until June 19, 2025. During this period, the Department of Justice shall take no action to enforce the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act (the “Act”) ([Public Law 118-50](#), Div. H) or impose any penalties against any entity for any noncompliance with the Act, including for distributing, maintaining, or updating (or enabling the distribution, maintenance, or updating) of any foreign adversary controlled application as defined in the Act. In light of this direction, even after the expiration of the above-specified period, the Department of Justice shall not take any action to enforce the Act or impose any penalties against any entity for any conduct that occurred during the above-specified period or any period prior to the issuance of this order, including the period of time from January 19, 2025, to the date of this order.

[Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule, 90 Federal Register 16918, April 22, 2025](#)

FINAL RULE AMENDMENTS: The Federal Trade Commission amends the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule (the “Rule”), consistent with the requirements of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act. The amendments to the Rule, which are based on the FTC's review of public comments and its enforcement experience, include one new definition and modifications to several others, as well as updates to key provisions to respond to changes in technology and online practices. The amendments are intended to strengthen protection of personal information collected from children, and, where appropriate, to clarify and streamline the Rule since it was last amended in January 2013.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 23, 2025

[Executive Order 14277 - Advancing Artificial Intelligence Education for American Youth, 90 Federal Register 17519, April 28, 2025](#)

EXECUTIVE ORDER: It is the policy of the United States to promote AI literacy and proficiency among Americans by promoting the appropriate integration of AI into education, providing comprehensive AI training for educators, and fostering early exposure to AI concepts and technology to develop an AI-

	<p>ready workforce. Within 90 days of the date of this order, the newly formed Presidential AI Task Force shall establish plans for a Presidential Artificial Intelligence Challenge (Challenge), and the agencies represented on the Task Force shall, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law, implement the plans by holding the Challenge no later than 12 months from the submission of the plan. The Challenge shall encourage and highlight student and educator achievements in AI, promote wide geographic adoption of technological advancement, and foster collaboration between government, academia, philanthropy, and industry to address national challenges with AI solutions. The EO also calls for establishing public private partnerships to develop online resources for reaching K-12 students AI literacy and critical thinking skills. This EO also orders the Sec’y of Education to prioritize the use of AI in discretionary grant programs for teacher training and also promotes increasing participation in AI Registered Apprenticeships</p>
<p>Executive Order 14282 - Transparency Regarding Foreign Influence at American Universities, 90 Federal Register 17541, April 28, 2025</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE ORDER: The Secretary of Education (Secretary) shall take all appropriate actions to enforce the requirements of section 1011f of title 20, United States Code, including by working with the Attorney General and the heads of other executive departments, agencies, and offices, where appropriate, to require complete and timely disclosure by higher education institutions of foreign funding. The Secretary of Education and the heads of other appropriate executive departments and agencies shall take appropriate action, as consistent with applicable law, to prospectively ensure that certification of compliance by higher education institutions with 20 U.S.C. 1011f and any other applicable foreign funding disclosure requirements is material for purposes of 31 U.S.C. 3729 and for receipt of appropriate Federal grant funds, which shall not be provided in cases of noncompliance with 20 U.S.C. 1011f and any other applicable foreign funding disclosure requirements.</p>
<p>Executive Order 14279 - Reforming Accreditation To Strengthen Higher Education, 90 Federal Register 17529, April 28, 2025</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE ORDER: The Secretary of Education shall, as appropriate and consistent with applicable law, hold accountable, including through denial, monitoring, suspension, or termination of accreditation recognition, accreditors who fail to meet the applicable recognition criteria or otherwise violate Federal law, including by requiring institutions seeking accreditation to engage in unlawful discrimination in accreditation-related activity under the guise of “diversity, equity, and inclusion” initiatives. This order would resume recognizing new accreditors, provide accreditors with noncompliance findings on member institutions, streamline process for changing accreditors, among other things</p>
<p>Executive Order 14283 - White House Initiative To Promote Excellence and Innovation at Historically Black Colleges and Universities, 90 Federal Register 17543, April 28, 2025</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE ORDER: Establishes the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities to increase the role of the private sector and private foundations in strengthening HBCUs through providing support for planning, fiscal stability and financial management, upgrading infrastructure, enhancing professional development opportunities, as well as other</p>

initiatives. This EO also revokes Executive Order 14041 (White House Initiative on Advancing Educational Equity, Excellence, and Economic Opportunity Through HBCUs).

Virginia Register – April 2025

[18VAC115-80. Regulations Governing the Registration of Qualified Mental Health Professionals \(amending 18VAC115-80-10, 18VAC115-80-20, 18VAC115-80-30, 18VAC115-80-40, 18VAC115-80-70, 18VAC115-80-80, 18VAC115-80-100, 18VAC115-80-110; adding 18VAC115-80-65; repealing 18VAC115-80-35, 18VAC115-80-50\), Final Regulation, Virginia Register of Regulations, Volume 41, Issue 17, April 7, 2025](#)

FINAL REGULATION: The amendments (i) reduce requirements for qualified mental health professionals, (ii) merge requirements for qualified mental health professionals-adult with qualified mental health professionals-child, (iii) revise fees, and (iv) revise requirements for registration and experience for registration.