

## **Professional Licensure Rulemaking a brief history, text**

2014

During a Negotiated Rulemaking focused on State Authorization and other federal aid management issues, the Department aimed to develop a federal regulation to address programs leading to a license. The committee did not reach consensus.

2016

Department writes and releases proposed rules in July 2018 addressing state authorization including programs leading to a license. The final rules were released in December 2016, missing the master calendar deadline for the rules to become effective the following July.

2017

Trump administration takes office.

2018

Department used an expedited rulemaking process to delay the effective date of the state authorization related regulations that had been released in December 2016. The delay rule was challenged in the U.S. District Court.

2019

April - A new negotiated rulemaking committee reached consensus on regulations including new state authorization rules and rules addressing programs leading to a license.

May – U.S. District Court decision vacated the delay rule caused the previously delayed regulations to become effective.

November – Department releases final rules coming from consensus and offers discretion for institutions to follow the new rules or maintain the effective rules until July 1, 2020.

2020

State authorization related regulations including notifications for programs leading to a license become effective.

2021

Department announces new rulemaking to address Certification Procedures.

2022

Rulemaking committee considers new requirements for programs leading to a license to be part of the Program Participation Agreement as part of the Certification Procedures issue. The committee did not reach consensus.

2023

May – proposed regulations for Certification Procedures including requirements for programs a license are released subject to public comment.

October – Final regulations released

2024

Regulations become effective.