

To: Institutional Effectiveness Contacts

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Year 2012 IE Reporting Requirements

Section 59-101-350 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, requires that the Commission on Higher Education submit an annual report to the Governor and to the General Assembly with information on the public four- and two-year institutions in this state “so as to easily compare with peer institutions in South Carolina.”

In order to comply with this legislative mandate, all institutions will submit an annual report on the assessment of their institutional effectiveness no later than August 1st of this year. Please complete the attached documents, IE Checklist-2012 and Professional Exam Subset-2012, and return them electronically to Ms Sandra Carr (scar@che.sc.gov).

Budget proviso 89.90 is attached to this e-mail. This proviso continues proviso 89.100 of 2010, and we expect that it will go into effect on July 1, 2012. It is important that you read the proviso and the included relevant code.

The proviso is intended to reduce reporting requirements for higher education institutions by waiving for FY 2011-2012 certain sections of state code which include mandated reporting. The immediate impact for institutional effectiveness reporting is:

- The only Institutional Effectiveness data required for the IE report due on August 1, 2012, will be student pass rates on professional examinations. The Legislature specifically exempted pass rate data from the waiver.
- CHEMIS data, also specifically exempted from the waiver, will continue to be collected.
- *A Closer Look* will not be published in January 2013, although available data may be reported as appropriate.
- English Fluency Act data will not be collected in 2013.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the waiver, your reporting responsibilities, or this e-mail. Thank you.

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