



# COMPLIANCE PROGRAM UPDATE

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# TITLE VI COMPLIANCE REVIEW



## WHAT IS TITLE VI?

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Section 2000d) provides that, “No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.” The 1987 Civil Rights Restoration Act (P.L. 100-259) expanded the definition of “programs and activities” to include all programs and activities of federal aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs and activities are federally assisted or not.
- Related nondiscrimination authorities include, but are not limited to: Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

## WHAT IS TITLE VI?

- As a recipient of federal funding, N.C. A&T is required to comply with the rules, laws and regulations of Title VI. Title VI also applies to recipients of federal financial assistance that passes through N.C. A&T in the form of grants, contracts or subcontracts, as well as federal financial assistance that passes through another State agency to N.C. A&T.
- N.C. A&T's compliance with Title VI is contingent upon its employees' and contractors', sub-contractors' and sub-recipients' (of N.C. A&T funded contracts and grants) adherence to Title VI and all applicable laws, regulations and rules.

## WHAT DOES TITLE VI REQUIRE?

- Ensuring that all contractors, sub-contractors, and sub-recipients awarded N.C. A&T funded contracts and grants adhere to Title VI and all applicable laws, regulations and rules.
- Provision of free language assistance to limited English proficient (LEP) persons; and
- Inclusion of statement of assurances of Title VI compliance in all procurement and grant contracts.
- Designation of a Title VI Coordinator
- Title VI Compliant and Grievance Procedures
- Data Collection

## REVIEW TIMELINE

- August 2021 – N.C. A&T notified of NCDOT’s intent to conduct a Title VI compliance review at A&T with an initial deadline of September 10, 2021.
- NCDOT provided checklist to aid in the collection of documents relevant to the review.
- NCDOT’s first review of a NC higher education institution (NCSU also selected for review)
- August – November 2021 – Discussion with NCSU and NCDOT regarding scope of review
- December 2021 – N.C. A&T “University 101” document submitted to NCDOT
- January 2022 – Informed by NCDOT of delay of review due to staffing changes
- March 2022 – New staff NCDOT member assigned to facilitate review; mutual agreement to further delay review until end of the 21-22 academic year

# REVIEW TIMELINE

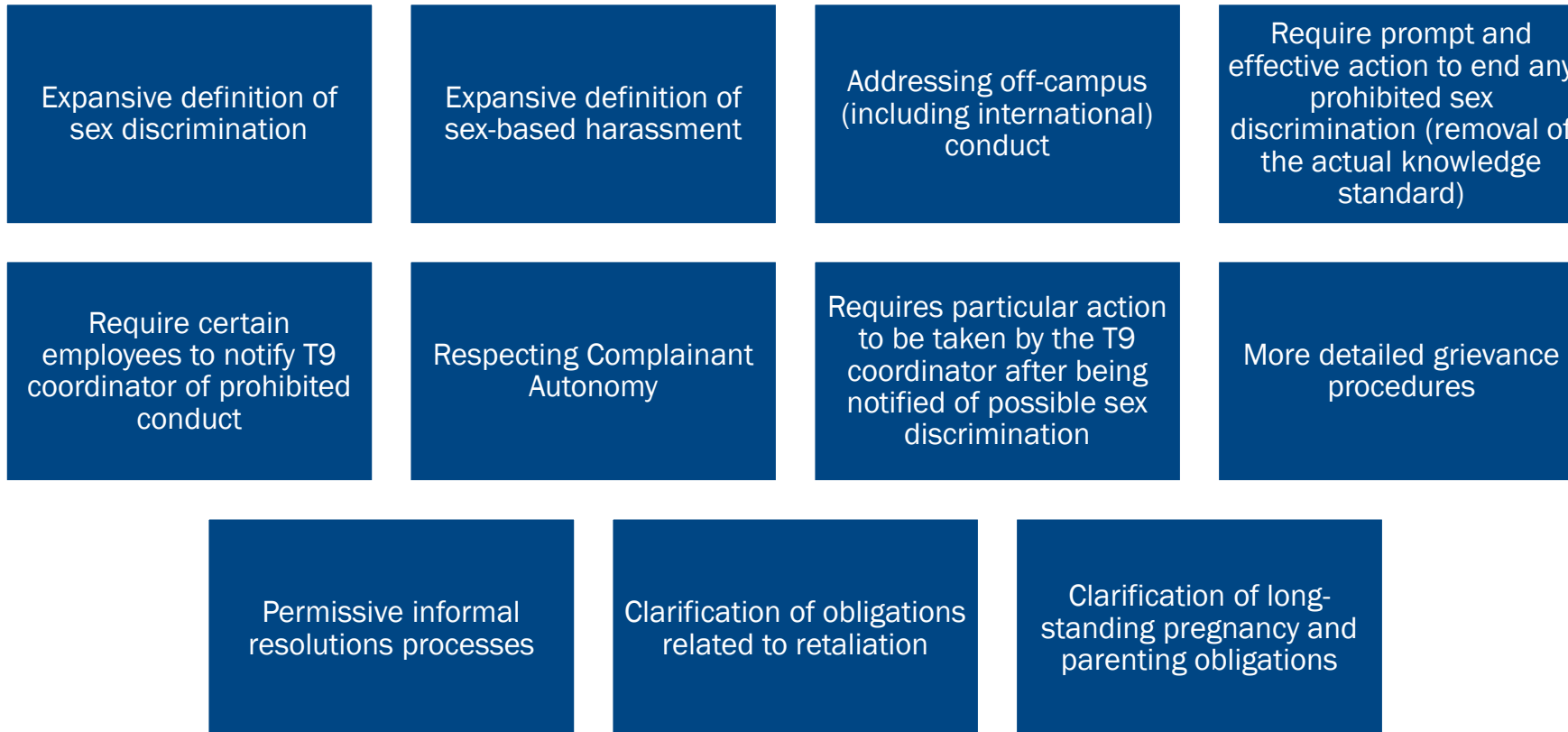


# PROPOSED (2023) TITLE IX REGULATIONS





## NEW PROPOSED REGULATIONS (MAY 2023)



# FUTURE RULEMAKING



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Accreditation and Related Issues: Plans to amend regulations on accreditation under the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA), including regulations associated with the standards relating to the Secretary's recognition of accrediting agencies and accreditation procedures as a component of institutional eligibility for participation in Federal student financial aid.

State Authorization: Plans to amend regulations on state authorization as a component of institutional eligibility in 34 CFR 600.2 and 600.9.

Distance Education: Plans to propose to amend the definition of distance education at 34 CFR 600.2.

Cash Management: The Secretary plans to amend the cash management regulations to ensure that students have and maintain timely access to student aid disbursed by their institutions of higher education.

Return to Title IV: The Secretary plans to amend regulations on the requirements for institutions to return unearned Title IV funds, to consider opportunities to protect students and taxpayers while easing the administrative burden for institutions of higher education.

Improving use of Deferments and Forbearances: The Secretary plans to amend regulations on deferments and forbearance under the HEA, including regulations associated with the standards and requirements for issuing forbearances and deferments, particularly in relation to income-driven repayment.

Federal TRIO Programs: The Secretary plans to amend current regulations on the Federal TRIO programs under the HEA, which may include technical improvements to programmatic eligibility and operations. The Secretary intends to solicit further input on potential changes the Department may pursue via future public forums.

# QUESTIONS?

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