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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Presidents, Florida College System Institutions  
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**FROM:** Kathryn Hebda, Acting Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges *KS*  
Rod Duckworth, Chancellor, Division of Career and Adult Education *RWD*

**DATE:** June 30, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Rule 6A-14.0305, Out-of-state fee waiver for veterans and other eligible students

In response to the *Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 (Choice Act)*, Florida's out-of-state fee waiver for military veterans, originally authorized in 2014, has been expanded to include other eligible students. Provisions of the Choice Act related to in-state tuition rates for veterans (attached, see section 702), are effective for terms that begin after July 1, 2015.

Revisions to section (s.) 1009.26 (13), Florida Statutes (F.S.), include:

- Expanded eligibility to veterans' spouse and dependents and any other student who is entitled to and uses educational assistance provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs who physically resides in Florida while enrolled as a degree or certificate seeking student, and
- Elimination of the 110 percent credit hour limitation.

To administer provisions of the out-of-state fee waiver, the State Board of Education approved Rule 6A-14.0305, F.A.C., out-of-state fee waiver for veterans and other eligible students (attached), at its June 24, 2015, meeting. The rule requires each Florida College System institution board of trustees, each district school board with a career center authorized under s. 1001.44, F.S., and each board of directors for a charter technical career center authorized under s. 1002.34, F.S., to adopt written policies and procedures for determining student eligibility.

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Questions about the out-of-state fee waiver for veterans and other eligible students may be directed to the following contacts:

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