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#### Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs

*Type of Review:* New.

*Title:* Guaranty Agency Financial Report.

*Frequency:* Monthly.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit; State; local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* Responses: 36.

*Burden Hours:* 33,660.

*Abstract:* The Guaranty Agency Financial Report will be used to request payments from and make payments to the Department of Education under the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) program authorized by Title IV, Part B of the Higher Education Act (HEA) of 1965, as amended. The report will also be used to monitor the agency's financial activities, including activities concerning its federal fund; operating fund and the agency's restricted account. Recent negotiated rulemaking sessions had a major impact on the development of this form because of significant changes to guaranty agency reporting requirements, and reporting on two new funds, the Federal Fund and Operating Fund. Guaranty agency representatives spent three full days in Washington, DC working with ED on the development of this form 2000.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

##### Federal Interagency Coordinating Council Meeting (FICC)

**AGENCY:** Federal Interagency Coordinating Council, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of a Public Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice describes the schedule and agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Federal Interagency Coordinating Council, and invites people to participate. Notice of this meeting is required under section 685(c) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and is intended to notify the general public of their opportunity to attend the meeting. The meeting will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. The FICC will attend to ongoing work including reports from committees and task forces. A delegation of Canadian policy makers will attend the meetings and participate in a policy exchange. A Policy Forum on Service Coordination, sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), will be held on Thursday morning from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. An agenda is included in the packet and the meeting is open to the public. The Department of Defense/Education Task Force will meet Tuesday afternoon, November 30 from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. The monitoring task force will meet on Wednesday morning, December 1, 1999 from 9 a.m.-12 noon. Committee meetings will be held from 12 noon-2 p.m. and a Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) Listening Session will be held from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. on Wednesday, December 1.

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, December 2, 1999 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Dept. of Education, Barnard Auditorium, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202, near the Federal Center Southwest and L'Enfant metro stops.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Libby Doggett or Kim Lawrence, U.S. Department of Education, 330 C Street, SW, Room 3080, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2644. Telephone: (202) 205-5507. Individuals who use a telecommunications device

for the deaf (TDD) may call (202) 205-9754.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Interagency Coordinating Council (FICC) is established under section 685(c) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1484a). The Council is established to: (1) minimize duplication across Federal, State and local agencies of programs and activities relating to early intervention in services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families and preschool services for children with disabilities; (2) ensure effective coordination of Federal early intervention and preschool programs, including Federal technical assistance and support activities; and (3) identify gaps in Federal agency programs and services and barriers to Federal interagency cooperation. To meet these purposes, the FICC seeks to: (1) identify areas of conflict, overlap, and omissions in interagency policies related to the provision of services to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers with disabilities; (2) develop and implement joint policy interpretations on issues related to infants, toddlers, and preschoolers that cut across Federal agencies, including modifications of regulations to eliminate barriers to interagency programs and activities; and (3) coordinate the provision of technical assistance and dissemination of best practice information. The FICC is chaired by the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services.

The meeting of the FICC is open to the public and will be physically accessible. Anyone requiring accommodations such as an interpreter, materials in Braille, large print, or cassette please call Kim Lawrence at (202) 205-5507 (voice) or (202) 205-9754 (TDD) ten days in advance of the meeting.

Summary minutes of the FICC meetings will be maintained and available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, 330 C Street, SW, Room 3080, Switzer Building, Washington, DC 20202-2644, from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., weekdays, except Federal Holidays.

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