



National Reporting System

Assessment Review Process Proposed Regulations for the NRS

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Purposes

- To codify procedures ED Secretary uses to determine the suitability of standardized assessments for use in the NRS to measure educational gain.
- To codify procedures states and local eligible providers must follow when measuring educational gain for use in the NRS.



Application Process

- Applies to all assessments, including those currently in use
- Annual submission
- Due date
- Contents



Review Process

- Panel of 2-3 experts
- Criteria: Psychometric properties, NRS requirements
- Published list of suitable tests
- Reconsideration for tests determined unsuitable
- Resubmission in 7 seven years or when substantive changes made



State Developed Assessment Policy

- Annual submission to OVAE
- Suitable, approved assessments
- Pre- and posttesting
- Training



Local Test Administration

- Must follow state assessment policy
- Placement
- Measuring educational gain
- Educational functioning levels



Next Steps

- ED review and respond to public comments
- Circulate regulations within ED and possibly OMB
- Obtain OMB paperwork clearance
- Publish final regulations in the Federal Register

