FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION

DATE: January 25, 2024

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty

SUMMARY: Board of Governors Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty, governs institutions' responsibilities regarding military students.

During the 2023 session, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 274, which was signed by the Governor on May 26, 2023. The new law modified section 1004.096, Florida Statutes, providing expanded opportunities for current and former military combat medics to earn postsecondary credit or clock hours towards accelerated nursing education programs.

Board staff proposes to amend Regulation 6.013, Military Veterans and Active Duty, to align with the revised statute. The amendment recognizes the Articulation Coordinating Committee's Policy Regarding the Evaluation and Awarding of Postsecondary Credit for the Pathway for Military Combat Medics, which the Board approved at its November 9, 2023, meeting.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE. AUTHORITY TO PROPOSE REGULATION(S): Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; BOG Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Emily Sikes, Interim Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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- 6.013 Military Veterans and Active Duty
- (1) Definitions
 - (a) For <u>the</u> purposes of this regulation, "military student(s)" shall mean any eligible student who is or was a member of the United States Armed Forces or the Florida National Guard, or such an individual's spouse or dependent.
 - (b) For the purposes of this regulation, "Military Liaison" means a staff member that is designated by an institution as responsible for the communication between military students and staff members at each institution to facilitate and maintain a working relationship.
 - (c) For the purposes of this regulation, "Combat Medic" is defined as an individual who received military training and education to serve as an Army Combat Medic Specialist, a Navy or Fleet Marine Force Hospital Corpsman, an Air Force or Space Force Aerospace Medical Service Technician, or a Coast Guard Health Services Technician.
- (2) College Credit for Military Training, Courses, and Occupations.
 - (a) Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit for Military Experience <u>Equivalency List and Credit for Military Combat Medic Equivalency Lists</u>.
 - Military experience equivalency shall be conducted in the manner specified in the Articulation Coordinating Committee <u>Policy Policies</u> Regarding the Evaluation and Awarding of Postsecondary Credit for Prior Military Training, Courses, and Occupations <u>and Pathway for Military Combat</u> Medics.

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- b. Students with military experience noted in the Articulation Coordinating Committee Credit for Military Experience Equivalency List <u>and Military</u> <u>Combat Medics Equivalency Lists</u> in effect at the time experience is evaluated for equivalency shall be awarded credit;
- c. If the course to which the military training or coursework is equivalent fulfills a general education or major course or degree program requirement, the credit should be considered as meeting the requirement(s). Otherwise, appropriate course credit, including free elective course credit,

1. Students who are currently on active duty with any unit of the United