



# GEORGIA NONPUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION

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## PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND INSTITUTIONAL RESOURCES

GNPEC has released a new document outlining guidelines for the most commonly authorized programs within the allied health field. Institutions can access these guidelines on GNPEC's [Program Guidelines](#) page.

We have also made several updates to our [Institutional Resources](#) page. This webpage provides a comprehensive set of tools, templates, and guidance documents designed to help institutions meet authorization and compliance requirements in Georgia.

## SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITES

All institutions must ensure that any advertisement, including on websites and social media, must meet requirements set forth in [Minimum Standard 9](#). As stated, all published institutional documentation, including advertisements, must present only accurate information and should never engage in any communications that are false, deceptive, misleading, or unfair.

## REQUIRED REPORTING

As a reminder, all institutions are required to publish the previous year's enrollment figures, graduation rates, and job placement data in their Catalog annually. See [Minimum Standard 4](#) for more information.

## COMMUNICATION

For accurate record-keeping, please use the main Comment section in EDvera when communicating with your assigned Regulatory Specialist (RS) regarding submitted documents (e.g., Renewal of Authorization Application, Personnel Data Inventory form, Program Application).

### Renewal of Authorization Application

Submission   Review   **Comments 0**   Status **Pending Rs Approval**

**Important Reminder:** Comments entered in the comment box located at the bottom of individual tabs within the Renewal of Authorization Application do not trigger notifications to the Regulatory Specialist. Notifications are only sent when comments are posted in the main Comment box at the top of the application or when the document is reverted back to the Regulatory Specialist.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain clear and efficient communication.

## REMINDERS FOR RENEWALS

### **Timely Renewal of Authorization:**

Please be reminded that a complete Renewal of Authorization Application and applicable fees are due at least 60 days prior to your institution's authorization expiration date.

Submission of application and fee(s) after the due date but prior to 30 days before expiration will be assessed a 25% late fee on the Authorization and TGTF Fees, if applicable.

Submission of application and fee(s) within 30 days of the expiration will be assessed a 50% late fee on the Authorization and TGTF Fees, if applicable.

Automatic nonrenewal of institutional authorization will result if the Renewal of Authorization Application and all applicable fees are not received by the expiration date. Should the institution seek to regain authorization, it must apply as a new institution (Initial Authorization Application) including being subject to all appropriate fees and bonding requirements.

## MINIMUM STANDARD OF THE MONTH

### **Standard 7: Institutional and Business Entity Compliance**

The Minimum Standards provide specific criteria for compliance with the standards set forth in Georgia law. These standards are applied equally to all institutions authorized by GNPEC or seeking to get authorized by GNPEC.

Minimum Standard 7 states the following:

1. The institution must provide a current, filed copy of the Georgia Secretary of State Annual Registration for its operating entity and the most recently issued Georgia Secretary of State Certificate of Authority (if applicable).
2. The institution must be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and regulations promulgated thereunder.
3. The institution and operating business entity must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.
  - a. Failure to comply with O.C.G.A. §§ 20-3-250.7; 20-3-250.8 may be subject to penalties as determined by the most recent Commission-approved Schedule of Fines.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Renewal Applicant Training (Virtual) – March 3 from 10:00-11:30 AM**

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