

What is New with State Authorization?

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- The webcast will begin shortly.
- There is no audio being broadcast at this time.
- An archive of this webcast will be available on the WCET website next week.





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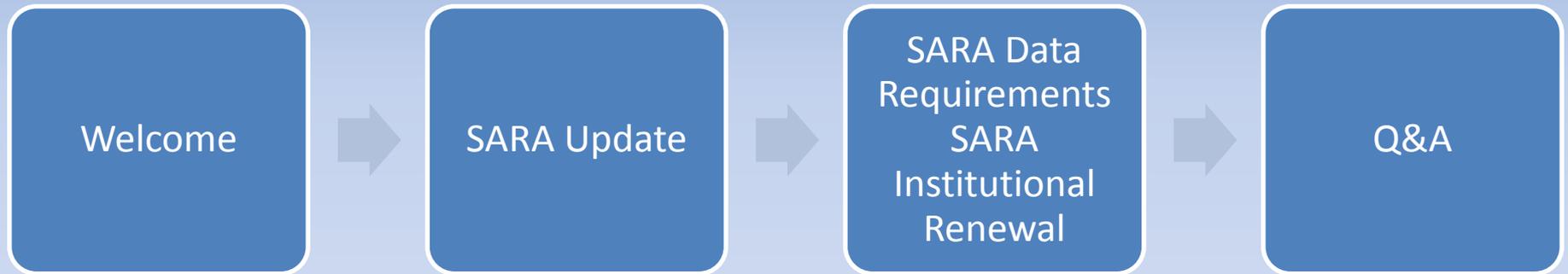
- Welcome.
- Use the question box for questions and information exchange.
- Archive, PowerPoint, and Resources available next week.
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Overview



Questions from the Audience

- If you have a question during the webcast, please add your questions to the chat box. We will monitor the question box and have time for Q&A at the end of the presentation.



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State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Update

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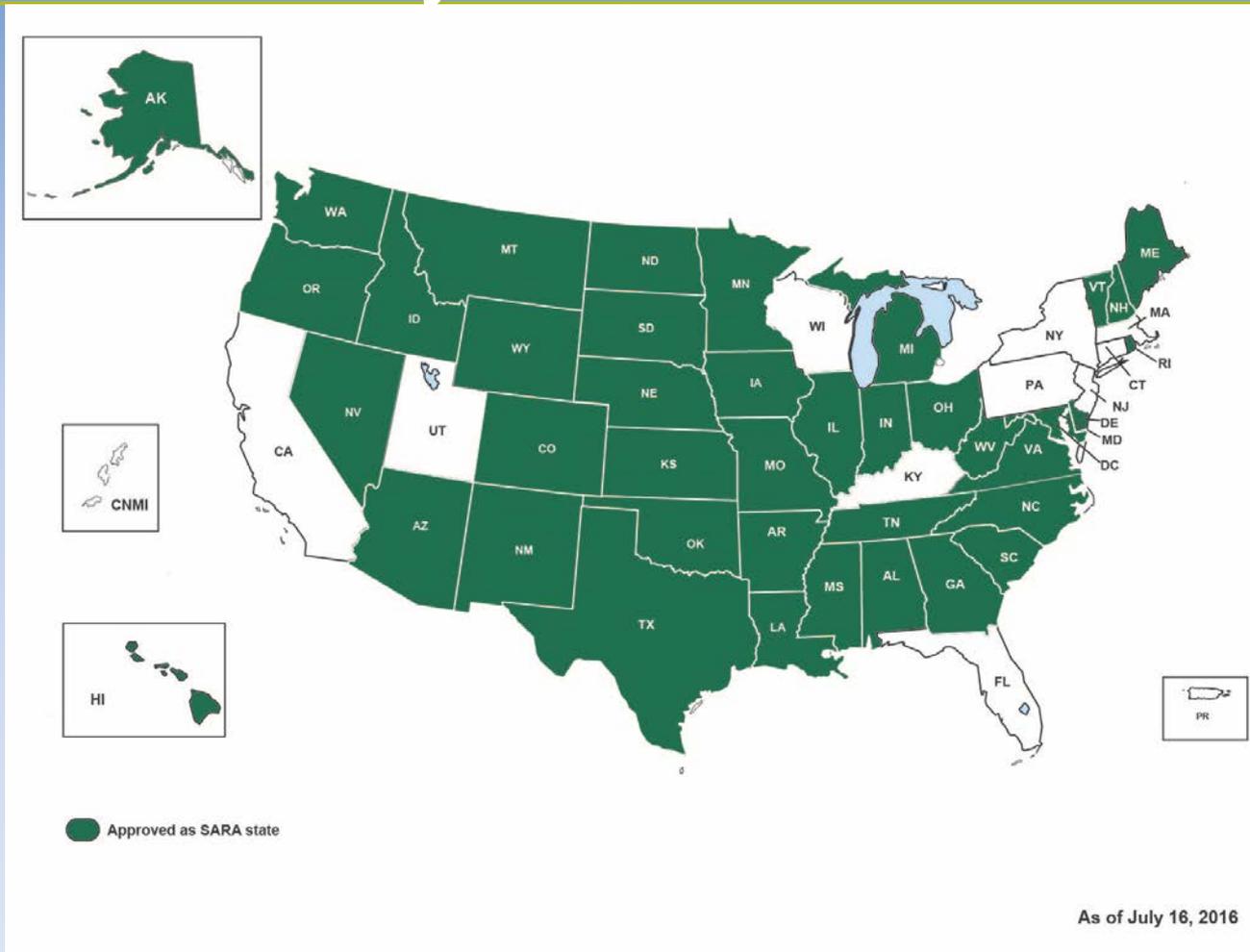
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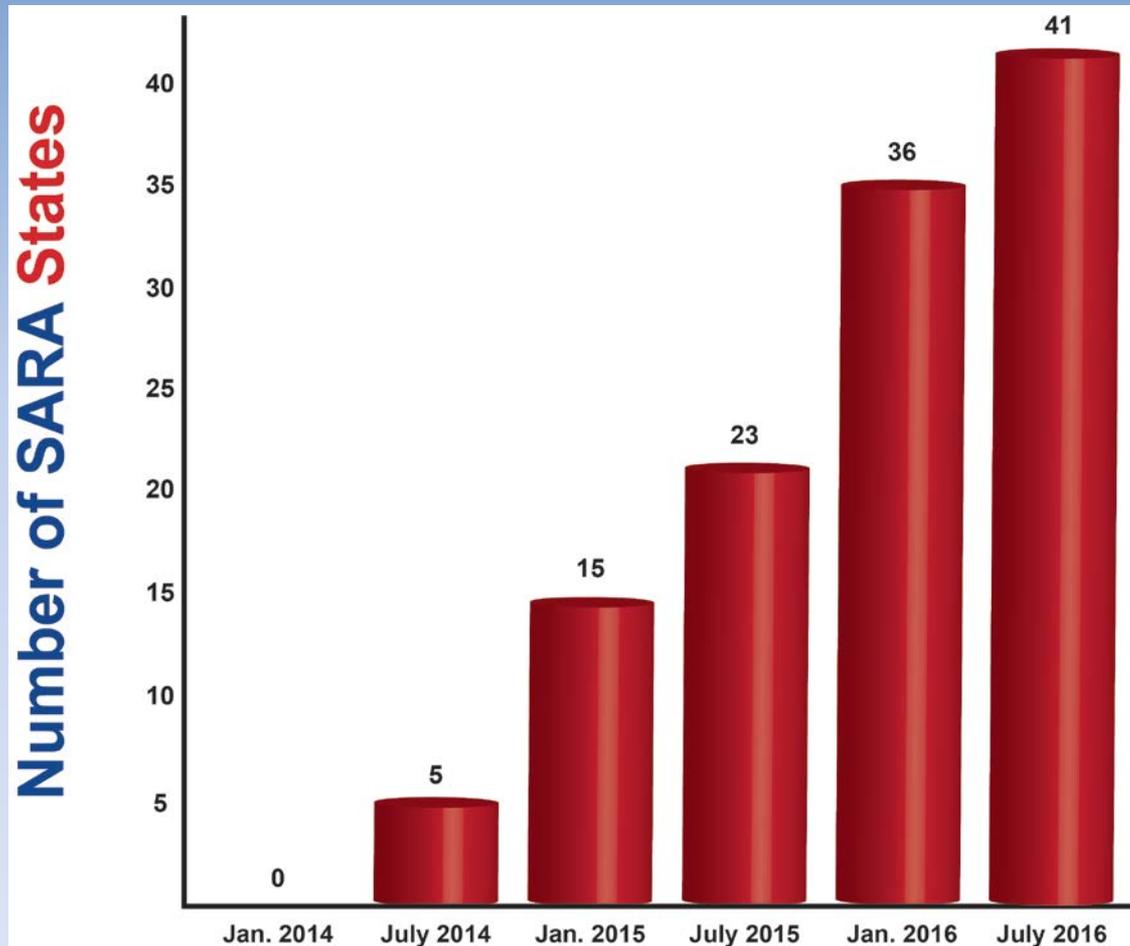


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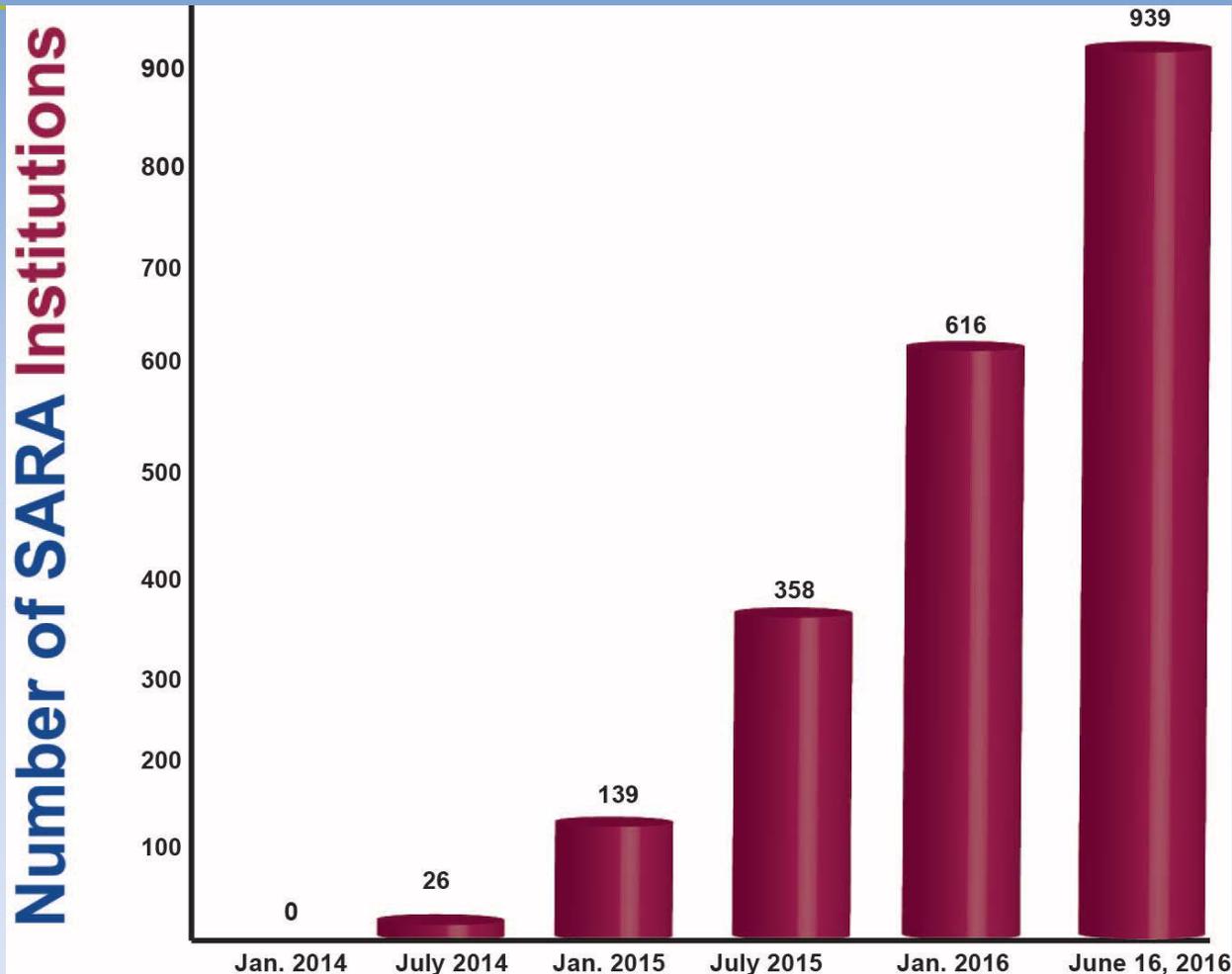
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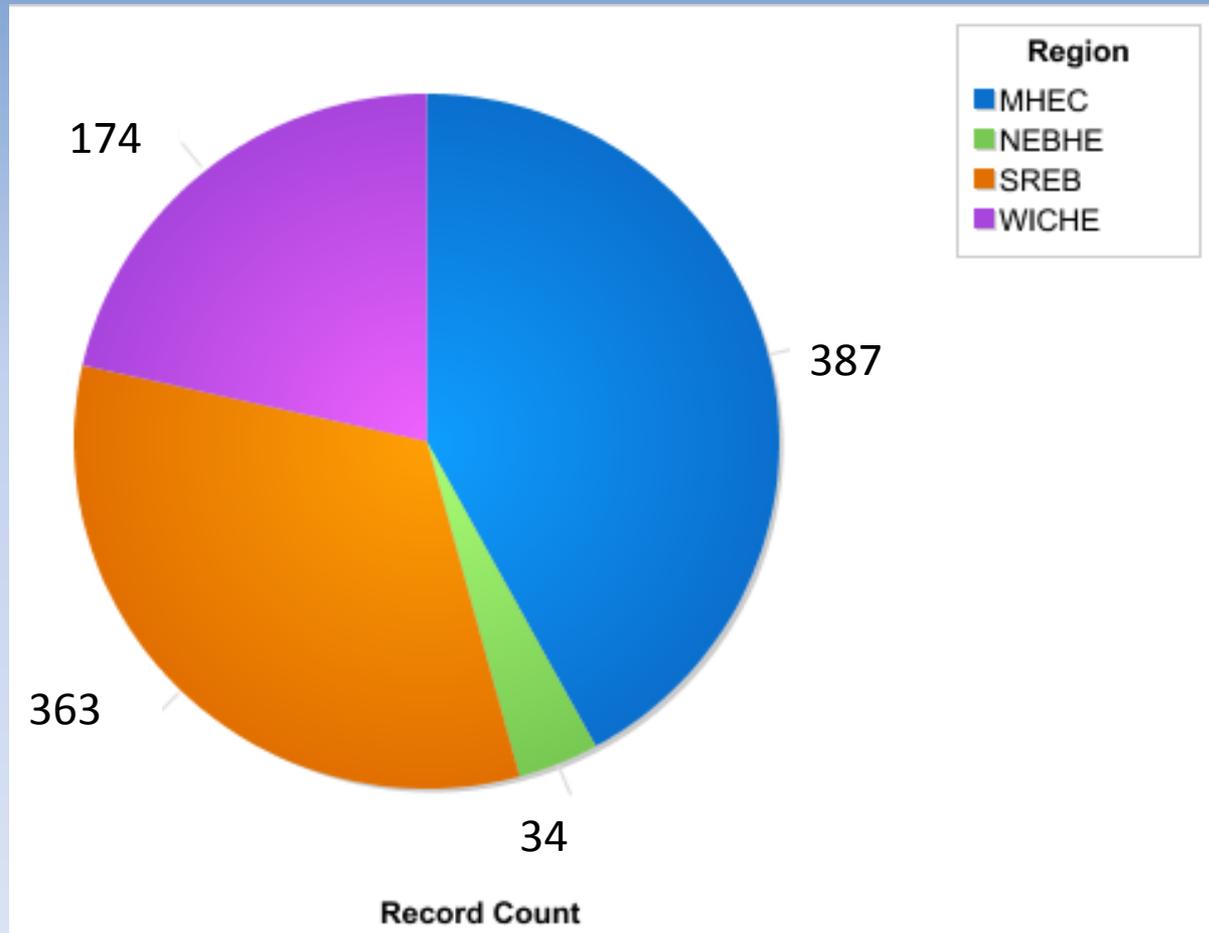
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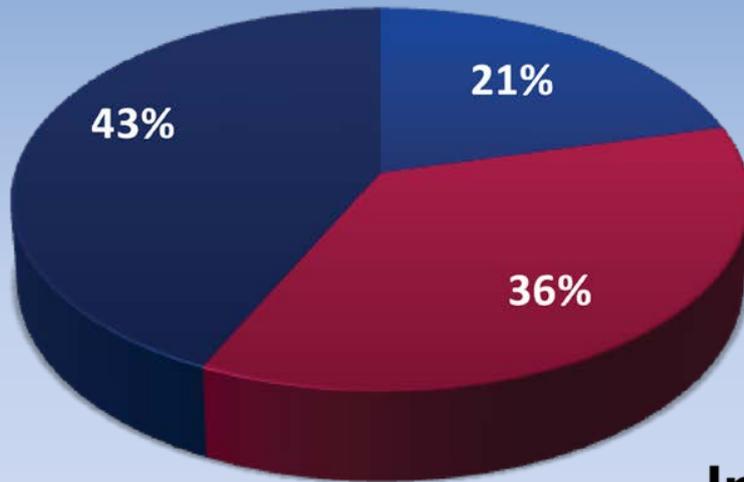
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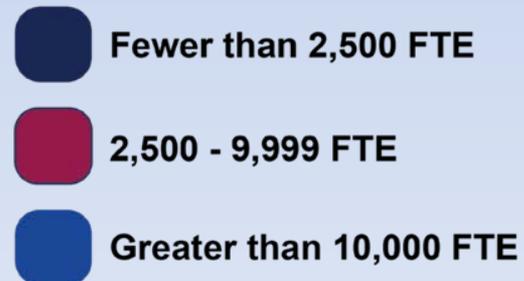
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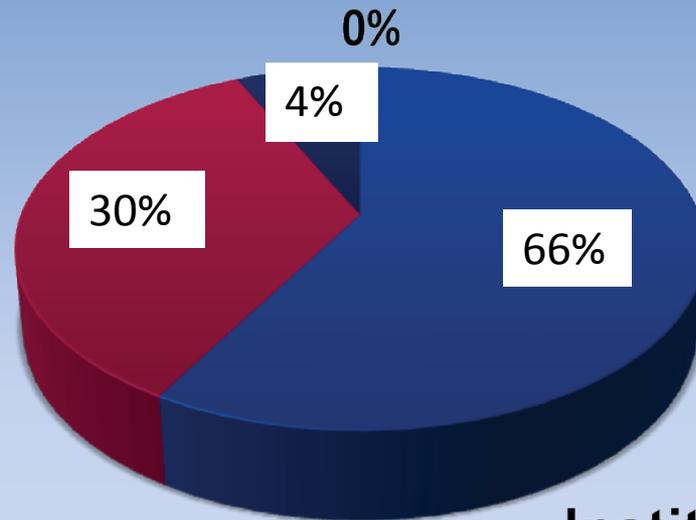
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Institutions by **SIZE**



Participating Institutions Sector



Institutions by **SECTOR**



NC SARA Updates

- Policy Updates
- Working Groups
- Upcoming Meetings
-Federal Regulations

State Portal Agent Process Guide

National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements

State Portal Agent Process Guide

Version 1.0

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SARA Data Requirements

SARA Institutional Renewal

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SARA Data Requirements

- NC SARA reporting requirements are based on enrollment data submitted to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)
- Timeframe: Approximately 1 month after the IPEDS deadline for fall enrollments. IPEDS deadline is usually set for early April.

SARA Data Requirements

- Report the number of students enrolled in the institution via distance education delivered outside the home state of the institution, disaggregated by state, territory, or district in which the students reside.
- Institutions shall use the means they currently employ to determine their students' location.
- If institution has fewer than 10 enrollments in a state, report 0 (zero) enrollments for that state.

SARA Data Requirements

- Non-SARA States:
- Enter distance education enrollment data for each non-SARA state.
- NC SARA will report non-SARA state enrollments as an aggregate.
- As non-SARA states become SARA, NC SARA will move enrollment numbers to new columns for new states.

NC-SARA Annual Enrollment Reporting

SARA States & Territories

Alabama *

Alaska *

Arizona *

Arkansas *

Colorado *

Georgia *

Idaho *

Illinois *

Indiana *

Iowa *

Kansas *

Louisiana *

Maine *

Maryland *

Michigan *

Minnesota *

Mississippi *

Missouri *

Montana *

Nebraska *

Nevada *

New Hampshire *

New Mexico *

North Dakota *

Ohio *

Oklahoma *

Non-SARA States & Territories

California *

CMNI *

Connecticut *

Delaware *

Florida *

Hawaii *

Kentucky *

Massachusetts *

New Jersey *

North Carolina *

New York *

Other Territories *

Pennsylvania *

Puerto Rico *

South Carolina *

Utah *

Wisconsin *

Washington DC *

Confirmation and Authorization

By checking this box, your institution agrees to the terms noted in the published [NC-SARA Data Sharing Agreement, found here.](#) *

I agree.

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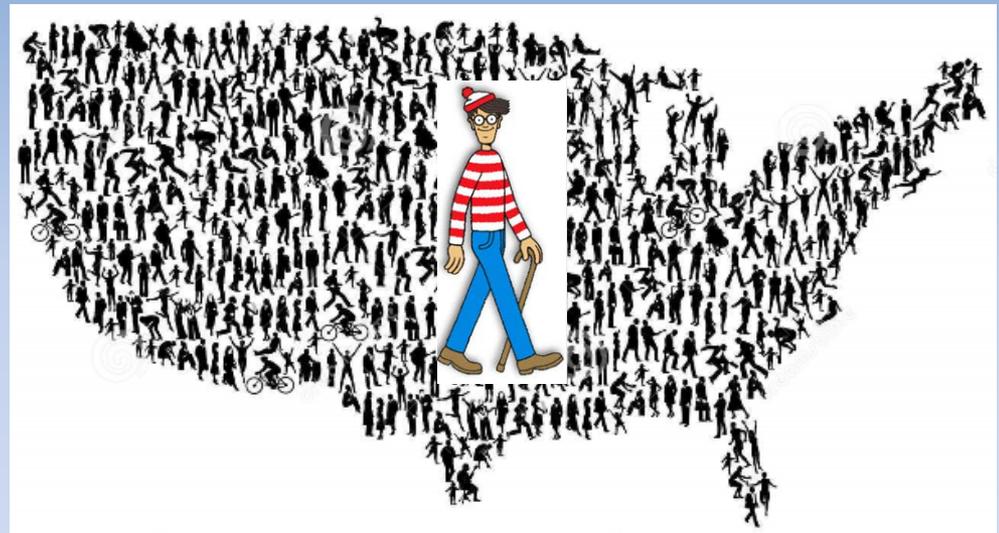
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SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- Your institutional reporting is only as good as your data input.
- Multiple entry points for data collecting: FAFSA, mailing address, permanent address, etc.

SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- How do you find ~~Waldo~~, your students, for accurate reporting?



- Top 5 Best Practices for Data Integrity & Collection.

SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- 1: Define & Identify Physical Presence Data Point in Data System



**Student
Information
System**

Log In

SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- 2: Develop Report with Institutional Research, or equivalent, department. Make it official!



SARA Data Integrity & Collection

■ Tips on creating a report that adds value:

Examples of what to include in report:

Institutional Level:

- **Headcount**
- **Hours Attempted**
- **Hours Completed**
- **Tuition Generated**
- **Debt**

Program Level:

- **Headcount by Declared Program**
- **Headcount by Awarded Program**

Course Level:

- **Course Headcount**

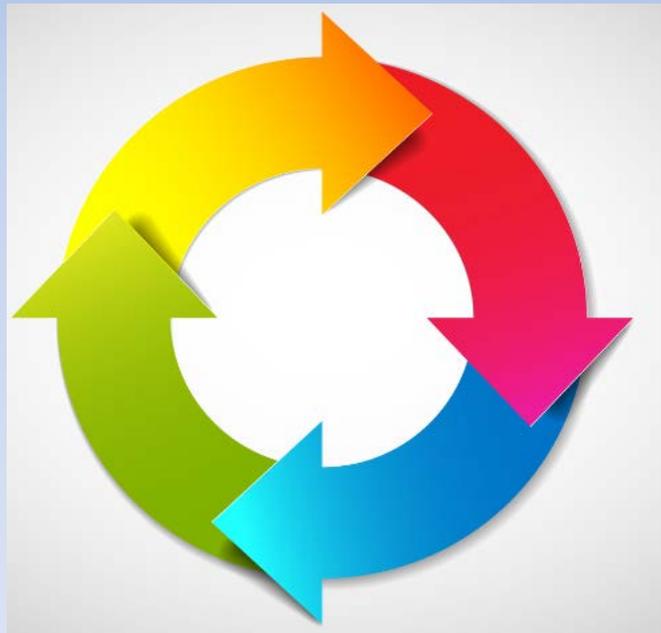
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- 3: Programmatic and Activity Based Survey. Become a detective and find out where your students are beyond your student information system.



SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- 4: Establish a review cycle to monitor and update.



SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- 5: Communicate proactively with students and internal stakeholders.



SARA Data Integrity & Collection

- Stakeholders:

- Federal/state regulation changes
- SARA updates/New states
- IR and Survey reports
- Internal policy changes on data tracking/reporting

- Students:

- Importance of accurate data entry
- Policy and policy changes regarding state authorization. For example, students moving to a new state.

Institutional Renewals

- Renewal Period: 90-days prior to SARA participation end date
 - Emails sent to all contacts listed for the institution
 - 90-days prior to end date
 - 30-days prior to end date
 - On day of expiration
 - Grace period option – only by request
 - Late Fee – 25%
 - Expiration and hold status for 180 days
 - Reapply as new institution
- Renewal Approved by State
 - System generated email with payment link
 - Payment Options – Check or Credit Card
 - Invoice, Receipt, Renewal Confirmation letter

Institutional Renewals

- Application Handout
 - Signature: President or Chief Academic Officer
 - Right Hand Check Boxes
 - Complaint Link
 - Fees
 - Additional State Requirements
 - Timeline and Timeliness

Questions from the Audience



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State Authorization Resources



<http://wcet.wiche.edu/initiatives/state-authorization-network>

WCET State Authorization Webpage

<http://wcet.wiche.edu/focus-areas/policy-and-regulation/state-authorization>

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