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## **NEWS RELEASE: U.S. Department of Education Revises Title IX Rule Publication Date**

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Today, the U.S. Department of Education published a blog post entitled "[A Timing Update on Title IX Rulemaking.](#)" As you may be aware, the Department initially projected a publication date of May 2023 for the new Title IX rule. Today's blog states, in pertinent part, that "the Department is updating its Spring Unified Agenda to now reflect an anticipated date of October 2023 for the final Title IX rule." This means the publication of the new Title IX rule is now projected to occur after the October 1, 2023, deadline to publish and distribute the 2023 Annual Security & Fire Safety Report. The full text of today's blog post is below:

*The Biden-Harris Administration is committed to ensuring all students are guaranteed an educational environment free from discrimination on the basis of sex. To that end, amending the Department of Education's (Department's) regulations that implement Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX) is a top priority to ensure full protection against sex discrimination for all students in federally funded education programs and activities.*

*The Title IX proposed regulations that the Department released in July 2022 are historic. They would strengthen protections for students who experience sexual harassment and assault at school, and they would help protect LGBTQI+ students from discrimination. The Department received more than 240,000 public comments on the proposed rule – nearly twice as many comments as the Department received during its last rulemaking on Title IX. Carefully considering and reviewing these comments takes time, and is essential to ensuring the final rule is enduring. That is why the Department is updating its Spring Unified Agenda to now reflect an anticipated date of October 2023 for the final Title IX rule. In addition, the Department is updating its Spring Unified Agenda to reflect an anticipated date of October 2023 for its proposed Athletics regulation, which received over 150,000 comments during its recent public comment period from April 12 – May 15, 2023. The Department is currently reviewing each of these comments, and is grateful for the extensive public participation and comments received in this rulemaking process.*

*You can access the July 2022 NPRM [here](#), view submitted comments [here](#) and find a fact sheet about the July 2022 NPRM [here](#). You can access the Athletics NPRM [here](#), view submitted comments [here](#), and find a fact sheet about the Athletics NPRM [here](#).*

In light of today's announcement, we are moving the 4-hour live, virtual NACCOP Title IX Classes (originally scheduled for June 2023) to sometime in November 2023 (exact dates TBD). Individuals who have already registered for the June 2023 classes should expect to be contacted in the next two weeks regarding the rescheduled class dates.

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