

Section I

Notice of Development of Proposed Rules and Negotiated Rulemaking

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

State Board of Education

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

6A-1.09441 Requirements for Programs and Courses that are Funded Through the Florida Education Finance Program and for Which the Student May Earn Credit Toward High School Graduation

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To update the “Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments” by which school districts receive FEFP (Florida Education Finance Program) funding. The effect will be an updated directory of courses for students to take to earn credit toward high school graduation.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: Revisions to the “Course Code Directory and Instructional Personnel Assignments” for the 2026-27 school year, based on statutory changes made during the 2026 Legislative Session.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 1001.02(1), 1003.03(6), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1)(a), F.S.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 1003.03(6), 1003.4282(1)(b), 1007.2616(8), 1011.62(1), 1012.55(1)(c), F.S.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Kathy Hebda, Chancellor, Division of Florida Colleges, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400. To comment on this rule development or to request a rule development workshop, please go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules> or contact: Chris Emerson, Director, Office of Executive Management, Christian.Emerson@fldoe.org.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS: Available at <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules>.

FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Freshwater Fish and Wildlife

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

68A-9.004 Permits for Hunting or Other Recreational Use on Wildlife Management Areas

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The proposed rule amendment will revise regulations pertaining to recreational use permits for Gulf Hammock and Grove Park Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) to adjust the pricing and number of permits for these areas.

SUBJECT AREA TO BE ADDRESSED: The proposed rule addresses the cost and number of permits issued for Gulf Hammock and Grove Park WMAs.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: Art. IV, Sec. 9, Fla. Const.

IF REQUESTED IN WRITING AND NOT DEEMED UNNECESSARY BY THE AGENCY HEAD, A RULE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP WILL BE NOTICED IN THE NEXT AVAILABLE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT AND A COPY OF THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT, IF AVAILABLE, IS: Justin Bingham, Public Hunting Areas Program Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, 620 South Meridian Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1600, or (850)617-9651.

THE PRELIMINARY TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE DEVELOPMENT IS AVAILABLE AT NO CHARGE FROM THE CONTACT PERSON LISTED ABOVE.

Section II

Proposed Rules

WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Suwannee River Water Management District

RULE NOS.: RULE TITLES:

40B-3.040 Scope of Part I

40B-3.341 Suspension and Revocation of Permits

40B-3.502 Construction Methods

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: The Suwannee River Water Management District (SRWMD) gives notice that it is initiating rulemaking for the purpose of repealing water well rules to meet the requirements of Section 120.5435(4), F.S. The effect will be more understandable and streamlined rules; and reduced regulatory burdens.

SUMMARY: Well construction, repair, abandonment, and modification

SUMMARY OF STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED REGULATORY COSTS AND LEGISLATIVE RATIFICATION:

The Agency has determined that this will not have an adverse impact on small business or likely increase directly or indirectly regulatory costs in excess of \$200,000 in the aggregate within one year after the implementation of the rule. A SERC has not been prepared by the Agency.

The Agency has determined that the proposed rule is not expected to require legislative ratification based on the statement of estimated regulatory costs or if no SERC is required, the information expressly relied upon and described herein: The District has completed for the Governor's Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform (OFARR) the "Is a SERC Required?" form and prepared summaries of the proposed rule amendments, which are available upon request. Based on the completed "Is a SERC Required?" forms and summaries and the analysis performed by the District, the proposed rule amendments are not expected to require legislative ratification pursuant to subsection 120.541(3), F.S. Any person who wishes to provide information regarding a statement of estimated regulatory costs, or provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days of this notice.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY: 373.044, 373.113, 373.171, 373.309 FS.

LAW IMPLEMENTED: 373.103, 373.113, 373.303, 373.306, 373.308, 373.309, 373.313, 373.316, 373.326, 373.342 FS.

IF REQUESTED WITHIN 21 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE SCHEDULED AND ANNOUNCED IN THE FAR.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: SRWMD at (386)362-1001 or 1(800)226-1066 (FL only). If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED RULE IS: Warren Zwanka, SRWMD, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060, (386)362-1001 or email warren.zwanka@srwmd.org

THE FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSED RULE IS:

40B-3.040 Scope of Part I.

Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.113, 373.171 FS. Law Implemented 373.303, 373.308, 373.309, 373.316, 373.326, 373.342 FS. History-New 7-1-85, Amended 6-22-99, Repealed [DATE].

40B-3.341 Suspension and Revocation of Permits.

Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.113, 373.171 FS. Law Implemented 373.103, 373.306, 373.308, 373.309, 373.313, 373.342 FS. History-New 4-15-81, Amended 9-15-81, 1-31-83, 7-1-85, 6-22-99, Repealed [DATE].

40B-3.502 Construction Methods.

Rulemaking Authority 373.044, 373.171, 373.309 FS. Law Implemented 373.113, 373.306, 373.308, 373.309 FS. History-New 7-1-85, Amended 6-22-99, Repealed [DATE].

NAME OF PERSON ORIGINATING PROPOSED RULE: Warren Zwanka, SRWMD, 9225 CR 49, Live Oak, Florida 32060, (386)362-1001 or email warren.zwanka@srwmd.org

NAME OF AGENCY HEAD WHO APPROVED THE PROPOSED RULE: SRWMD Governing Board

DATE PROPOSED RULE APPROVED BY AGENCY HEAD: January 13, 2026

Section III

Notice of Changes, Corrections and Withdrawals

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B8-30.012 Physician Assistant Performance
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

64B8-30.012 Physician Assistant Performance.

(1) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 458.309, 458.347(4)(a), (13) FS. Law Implemented 458.347(2), (3), (4), (13) FS. History-New 5-13-87, Amended 7-7-87, 11-15-88, 9-15-92, Formerly 21M-17.012, Amended 11-4-93, Formerly 61F6-17.012, 59R-30.012, Amended 10-13-98, 3-28-99, 11-17-03, 2-2-10, 7-19-16, Technical Change 1-28-26.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Morgan Rexford, MPH, Executive Director, Board of Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3253, (850)245-4131 or Morgan.Rexford@flhealth.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Osteopathic Medicine

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
64B15-6.010 Physician Assistant Performance
NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following technical change has been made to the above rule:

64B15-6.010 Physician Assistant Performance.

(1) through (4) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 459.005, 459.022(4)(a), (13) FS. Law Implemented 459.022(2), (3), (4), (13) FS. History—New 10-28-87, Amended 4-18-89, 9-26-90, Formerly 21R-6.010, 61F9-6.010, Amended 3-13-96, Formerly 59W-6.010, Amended 10-13-98, 3-17-99, 1-12-04, 2-2-10, 7-19-16, Technical Change 1-28-26.

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE RULE IS: Stephanie Webster, Executive Director, Board of Osteopathic Medicine/MQA, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C06, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3256, or by email at Stephanie.Webster@flhealth.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**Division of State Fire Marshal**

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
69A-46.041 Inspection Requirements for Fire Protection Systems

NOTICE OF CORRECTION

Notice is hereby given that the following correction has been made to the proposed rule in Vol. 51 No. 242, December 16, 2025 issue of the Florida Administrative Register.

69A-46.041 Inspection Requirements for Fire Protection Systems.

(1) through (6) No change.

(7) Form DFS-K3-2015, Uniform Summary Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance (ITM) Report (Eff. 3/2026) (~~eff. 11/2025~~) must be provided to the local AHJ by the contractor, as mutually agreed between the contractor and the local AHJ, using one of the following means: (a) by United States mail; (b) by hand delivery; (c) by electronic submission; or (d) through a third-party vendor that collects the reports on behalf of the local AHJ. Form DFS-K3-2015 is hereby incorporated by reference and is available on the following link: <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-18748>; or on the Division's website at: myfloridacfo.com/Division/SFM; or by contacting the Regulatory Licensing Section, Bureau of Fire Prevention, Division of State Fire Marshal, 200 E. Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0342, Phone: (850)413-3610.

(8) through (11) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 633.104, 633.308, 633.312 FS. Law Implemented 633.306, 633.308, 633.312, 633.338 FS. History—New 10-20-93, Amended 11-21-01, Formerly 4A-46.041, Amended 5-18-08, 7-19-16, 9-1-21.

Note: Form DFS-K3-2015's footer will also be corrected to reflect an effective date of March of 2026 (3/2026) instead of November of 2025 (11/2025).

**Section IV
Emergency Rules**

NOTE: The full text of Emergency Rules that are currently in effect can be viewed by going to <https://flrules.org/Notice/emergencyRules.asp>.

**Section V
Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver****DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
Securities**

The Office of Financial Regulation hereby gives notice: On January 27, 2026, the Florida Office of Financial Regulation (Securities) received a WITHDRAWAL of the Petition for Waiver of paragraph 69W-600.0024(6)(b), Florida Administrative Code from Daniel Cote. *The original petition was published January 12, 2026, in the Florida Administrative Register Volume 52, Number 07.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Division of Community Development
RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:
73C-23.0041 Application Process**

The Florida Department of Commerce (“Department”) hereby gives notice: On January 27, 2026, the Florida Department of Commerce issued a Final Order in Commerce Case No. 25-024, denying the Lake City’s (“Petitioner”) request for a waiver from the requirements of Florida Administrative Code (“F.A.C.”) paragraph 73C-23.0041(2)(b), establishing the maximum amount that may be requested for the Small Cities Community Block Grant Program. The Department determined that the Petitioner had not presented competent substantial evidence to support an administrative waiver from the requirements of paragraph 73C-23.0041(2)(b), F.A.C. Additionally, the Department lacks sufficient funding to fulfill the Petitioner’s request for supplemental funds. The Petition was received on September 17, 2025, and notice of the receipt of petition was published on September 23, 2025, in Vol. 51, No. 185 of the Florida Administrative Register. No comments were received on the Petition.

A copy of the Order or additional information may be obtained

by contacting: Agency Clerk, Florida Department of Commerce, Office of the General Counsel, 107 East Madison Street, MSC-110, Tallahassee, Florida 32399; Agency.Clerk@commerce.fl.gov; or by facsimile at (850)921-3230.

Section VI

Notice of Meetings, Workshops and Public Hearings

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Division of Blind Services

The Division of Blind Services/Bureau of Business Enterprise announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 5, 2026, 2:00 p.m., EST

PLACE: Via Microsoft Teams meeting

Join:

<https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/2705433976446?p=E0elQhnXwdjlBDm0PL>

Meeting ID: 270 543 397 644 6

Passcode: 9xj64Gm6

Dial in by phone

+1(850)583-5063, 218527088#

Phone conference ID: 218 527 088#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:

Runoff Election for Vice Chair

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mary Ellen Harding maryellen.harding@dbs.fl doe.org

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Mary Ellen Harding maryellen.harding@dbs.fl doe.org. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Mary Ellen Harding maryellen.harding@dbs.fl doe.org

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

14-15.002 Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways

The Florida Department of Transportation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 3, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams. To participate via your computer, tablet, or smart phone, please register at this web link: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/27041073592241?p=7UoqdhX33xGzNnFfn>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Chapter 13 – Public Transit Subcommittee of the Florida Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards For Design, Construction, and Maintenance for Streets and Highways (Florida Greenbook) to develop guidance for future editions of the Florida Greenbook.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jacqui Morris, Criteria Publications Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation, at jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850)414-4352.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

14-15.002 Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways

The Florida Department of Transportation announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 3, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams. To participate via your computer, tablet, or smart phone, please register at this web link: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/21719561465060?p=PG5ahTUmZyLRM2p7Dq>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting of the Chapter 8 – Pedestrian Facilities Subcommittee of the Florida Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards For Design, Construction, and Maintenance for Streets and Highways (Florida Greenbook) to develop guidance for future editions of the Florida Greenbook.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Jacqui Morris, Criteria Publications Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation, at jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850)414-4352

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hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Jacqui Morris, Criteria Publications Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation, at jacqueline.morris@dot.state.fl.us or (850)414-4352

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCILS

Emerald Coast Regional Council

The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Walton County Emergency Operations Center, 75 S Davis Ln, DeFuniak Springs FL

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Join the LEPC Quarterly Meeting on February 4, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
Join us via Teams:

Meeting ID 277 772 976 820 0

Passcode 2CC7WH28

Public Forum

All comments submitted at least 24 hours before are guaranteed to be read during the public meeting. Comments submitted after the 24-hour deadline will be recorded and disseminated to the Board.

Participation is asked for without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who believe they have been discriminated against on these conditions may file a complaint with the Title VI Coordinator, (850)332-7976.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: morgan.combs@ecrc.org

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Marketing and Outreach toll-free at (800)226-8914 or TTY 711, or by emailing marketing@ecrc.org. Para informacion en espanol, puede llamar a Ada Clark al (850)332-7976, ext. 278 o TTY 711. Si necesita acomodaciones especiales, por favor llame 48 horas de antemano. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Board of Cosmetology

The Florida Board of Cosmetology announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 19, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Online: <HTTPS://MEET.GOTO.COM/508724181>.
By Phone: (571)317-3116 – Access Code 508-724-181.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
New board member training.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Florida Board of Cosmetology, 2601 Blair Stone, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399, (850)487-1395.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Florida Board of Cosmetology, 2601 Blair Stone, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399, (850)487-1395. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Florida Board of Cosmetology, 2601 Blair Stone, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399, (850)487-1395.

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board

The Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATES AND TIMES: February 26-27, 2026, 9:00 a.m. (ET)

PLACE: Homewood Suites Orlando, 411 Flager Avenue, Winter Garden, FL 34787

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
Committee meetings and General Board business.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Myfloridalicense.com – Licensing and Regulation - Building Code Administrators & Inspectors - Board Meeting Information.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee FL 32399, or by calling (850)717-1982. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee FL 32399, or by calling (850)717-1982.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Board of Nursing

The Board of Nursing announces a telephone conference call to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 12, 2026, 9:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: Toll Free Number - (888)585-9008

Public Code: 275-112-502#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Probable Cause Panel meeting for public disciplinary cases.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: <https://floridasnursing.gov/meeting-information/upcomingmeetings/>

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: (850)245-4125. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Department of Health/ Division of Children's Medical Services/ Early Steps Program announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 10, 2026, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., ET

PLACE: Teams

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_OWE1MTc1ZGMtNzJINS00NGUyLWJmYmItNTU4YTdhMTJmOTgy%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-4d2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%225ce51c09-34ae-41f6-8f31-88979e20b6fd%22%7d

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Discussion of the upcoming Quarterly Florida Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers (FICCIT) Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: FICCIT@flhealth.gov

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 3 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: FICCIT@flhealth.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact: FICCIT@flhealth.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Children's Medical Services

The Child Abuse Death Review Circuit 13 Committee announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 11, 2026, 1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Microsoft Teams Meeting:

Meeting ID: 285 418 017 953 28

Passcode: pa7G56MA

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Committee will address administrative issues, review cases, and discuss the CADR Action Plan. A portion of the meeting is required by paragraph 383.412(3)(a), F.S. to be closed to the public to allow the Committee to discuss information that is confidential and exempt from public meetings and public records. This portion of the meeting will be announced at the meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: denise.martinez@flhealth.gov

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For more information, you may contact: denise.martinez@flhealth.gov

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Division of Public Health Statistics and Performance Management

The Department of Health announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 5, 2026, 1:00 p.m., ET, or soon thereafter, until 2:30 p.m. or until the conclusion of the meeting, whichever occurs first.

PLACE: A virtual meeting link, Via Microsoft Teams below:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MDU0ZWYyOWEtMjRiZS00MDk5LT1hZDUtM2E2ZDA3ZDg1MmE3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-4d2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%225ce51c09-34ae-41f6-8f31-88979e20b6fd%22%7d

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cd2b03a31b8d%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22729db789-0059-
45ed-a208-0edeacbc51d4%22%7d

Meeting ID: 240 076 650 849 31 Passcode: YU3vG6y2
Dial in by phone: +1(850)792-1375,988941015# United States,
Tallahassee.

Phone conference ID: 681 359 876#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Health Care Innovation Council is facilitating a meeting to discuss the Health Care Innovation Revolving Loan Program. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 7 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov

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PLACE: A virtual meeting link, Via Microsoft Teams below:

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_MDU0ZWYyOWEtMjRiZS00MDk5LTIhzDUDtM2E2ZDA3ZDg1MmE3%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2228cd8f80-3c44-4b27-81a0-45ed-a208-0edeacbc51d4%22%7d

Meeting ID: 240 076 650 849 31 Passcode: YU3vG6y2
Dial in by phone: +1(850)792-1375,988941015# United States,
Tallahassee.

Phone conference ID: 681 359 876#

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: The Florida Health Care Innovation Council is facilitating a meeting to discuss the Health Care Innovation Revolving Loan Program. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov or HealthInnovation@flhealth.gov

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 4 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov or HealthInnovation@flhealth.gov. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Dr. Emma Spencer at Emma.Spencer@flhealth.gov or HealthInnovation@flhealth.gov

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

RULE NO.: RULE TITLE:

70-1.001Florida Armed Forces Reserve Family Readiness Program Application Fund

The Florida Department of Military Affairs announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 06, 2026, 8:00 a.m.

PLACE: St Francis Barracks Command Conference Room, 82 Marine St, St Augustine, FL 32084

and TEAMS:

Meeting ID: 993 600 321 350

Passcode: T7HC3GB7

Dial in by Phone: 1(571)616-7941 Phone Conference ID: 501 874 771#

Link:

<https://dod.teams.microsoft.us/meet/993600321350?p=nqh1d0my01GnqgTM8S>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Armory Board Meeting to review lease(s) and other business relative to real property and facility management.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Joseph Bagnall, (904)823-0201

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to

participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 2 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Joseph Bagnall, (904)823-0201. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

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For more information, you may contact: Joseph Bagnall, (904)823-0201

FLORIDA GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

The Florida Gaming Control Commission announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 5, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Joseph P. Cresse Hearing Room 148, Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a meeting to discuss general business of the commission.

The public meeting agenda, related documents, and Florida Gaming Control Commission contact information are available by contacting Dixie Parker at Dixie.Parker@flgaming.gov or (850)880-3433.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued. If you want to make public comment at this meeting, please contact Dixie Parker no less than 24 hours before the start of the meeting at Dixie.Parker@flgaming.gov.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: dixie.parker@flgaming.gov.

FLORIDA COLLEGE SYSTEM RISK MANAGEMENT CONSORTIUM

The Florida College System Risk Management Consortium announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Renaissance Orlando Airport

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: General Business Meeting

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: ndyksterhouse@fcsrmc.com

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 1 days before the workshop/meeting by

contacting: ndyksterhouse@fcsrmc.com. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: ndyksterhouse@fcsrmc.com

FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees announces a workshop to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 10, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting will be livestreamed, and members of the public may observe/access the meeting online via the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees YouTube page. The virtual meeting will be streamed directly to this YouTube channel. You can also watch the meeting by clicking on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSp-oyR-9hroo-cmIumUXCg>

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: Development and discussion of proposed agenda items/matters which may be presented to the Board at its March 10, 2026, Regular Meeting. Please note that public comment will not be taken, as the Board of Trustees will not take formal and final agency action on any matters at this Workshop Meeting.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. It may also be obtained via <https://go.boarddocs.com/fla/flvs/Board.nsf/vpublic?open>

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 48 hours before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, he/she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence from which the appeal is to be issued.

For more information, you may contact: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net

FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL

The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: February 10, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees Special Meeting will be livestreamed, and members of the public may observe/access the meeting online via the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees YouTube page. The virtual meeting will be streamed directly to this YouTube channel. You can also access the meeting by using the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSp-oyR-9hroo-cmIUmUXCg>

Should you wish to comment during the public comment portion of the special meeting, please dial (866)580-3963 and connect with the operator no later than the meeting start time noted above.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: This is a special meeting of the Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees. The Board will consider matters relating to its FLVS President and Chief Executive Search. The Board will also take formal and final agency action on all matters properly and timely presented to the Board.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by contacting: Mr. Bruce Moore, Board Clerk, at 5422 Carrier Drive, Suite 201, Orlando, FL 32819; or at (407)735-1191; or by email to bmoore@flvs.net. It may also be obtained via <https://go.boarddocs.com/fla/flvs/Board.nsf/vpublic?open>

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Section VII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Declaratory Statements

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL
REGULATION

Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares and Mobile
Homes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, State of Florida has received the petition for declaratory statement from Coconut Plantation Condominium, Gary L. Loser. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Chapters 718 and 721, Florida Statutes as it applies to the petitioner.

The Petition seeks clarification as to whether Chicago Title Timeshare Land Trust, Inc. can nominate more than one (1) person to serve on the Coconut Plantation Condominium Association' Board of Directors in view of the timeshare Condominium Association's Bylaws which provides that "The affairs of the Association will be managed by a board of directors who must be members of the Association... Where Units or Unit weeks are owned by corporations, the officers, directors, employees or other appointed representatives of said corporation will be eligible to serve on the Board on behalf of the corporation." Case No. 2026-001914.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Division Clerk, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1030.

Please refer all comments to: Zaynab Salman, Deputy Chief, Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1030. Email: zaynab.salman@myfloridalicense.com.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

Finance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Office of Financial Regulation has received the petition for declaratory statement from Nelson Mullins. The petition seeks the agency's opinion as to the applicability of Chapter 560, Florida Statutes, as it applies to the petitioner.

On 1/9/2026, the Office of Financial Regulation (Consumer Finance) received a Petition for Declaratory Statement for agency's opinion on whether it is permissible for a state-licensed money transmitter to maintain funds for an undetermined period while allowing the customer to access and use those funds over time and whether a state-licensed money transmitter that does not maintain a depository institution charter may maintain transmitted funds in a "for the benefit of" account at a sponsor bank where the designated recipient has immediate access to use and spend such funds. Except for good cause shown, motions for leave to intervene must be filed within 21 days after publication of this notice.

A copy of the Petition for Declaratory Statement may be obtained by contacting: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial

Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

Please refer all comments to: Agency Clerk, Office of Financial Regulation, P.O. Box 8050, Tallahassee, Florida 32314-8050, (850)410-9889, Agency.Clerk@flofr.gov.

Section VIII

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding the Validity of Rules

Notice of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination has been filed with the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

Section IX

Notice of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

NONE

Section X

Announcements and Objection Reports of the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee

NONE

Section XI

Notices Regarding Bids, Proposals and Purchasing

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
University of North Florida
ITN# 26-08 AI-Powered Student Outreach for Student Engagement
Notice of Invitation to Bid
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA PROCUREMENT SERVICES ITN 26-08 AI-Powered Student Outreach for Student Engagement

The University of North Florida Board of Trustees, a public body corporate desires to enter into an agreement with a qualified Contractor with demonstrated expertise in advanced, AI-driven communication technologies in higher education to facilitate key student actions such as application completion, enrollment, financial aid processing, and progression through critical academic milestones via intelligent outreach solutions.

Project Information

This initiative seeks to enhance engagement with current and prospective students facilitating key academic and administrative processes such as application completion, enrollment, financial aid processing, and progression through critical academic milestones via intelligent outreach solutions. Services must be provided in compliance with applicable state and federal regulations.

The proposed schedule for this project is:

Advertisement January 29, 2026

Pre-Response Meeting February 10, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

Deadline for Questions February 17, 2026, 12:00 noon

Response to Questions February 20, 2026

Proposals Due March 10, 2026, 2:00 p.m.

Responses will only be accepted electronically through the UNF Bid Portal. Responses delivered in-person, by mail, by fax, or by email will be deemed non-responsive.

Solicitation documents, forms, drawings and descriptive project information may be obtained online at <https://bids.sciquest.com/apps/Router/PublicEvent?CustomerOrg=UNF>

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Notice of Upcoming Public Meetings for E57F8

In accordance with 120.525 F.S., the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces public meetings associated with the subject procurement, to which all persons are invited.

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED:
Selection of intended award for Project E57F8

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project provides for the modified phased design-build of I-95 at U.S. 1 Interchange in Volusia County.

For complete advertisement information including the agenda for all public meetings and any schedule updates please refer to the Procurement Internet site:

<https://pdaexternal.fdot.gov/Pub/AdvertisementPublic/AllAddetail/D-B/A>.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

DEP RFP 2026011 - Installation & Maintenance of Potable Water Filtration Systems

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection is

requesting Responses for the Installation & Maintenance of Potable Water Filtration Systems. The Department will post notice of any changes or additional meeting(s) on the Vendor Information Portal (VIP) in accordance with section 287.042(3), Florida Statutes, and will not re-advertise any notice in the Florida Administrative Register (FAR). Access the VIP at: <https://vendor.myfloridamarketplace.com/>

SENIOR CONNECTION CENTER, INC.

Audit and Tax Services for Senior Connection Center

Introduction

Senior Connection Center, Inc. (SCC) is seeking proposals from qualified Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firms to provide independent financial audit services and annual tax preparation and filing. SCC is a non-profit, 501(c)3 corporation dedicated to serving older adults and their caregivers. We serve as an Area Agency on Aging, as established by Chapters 20 & 430, F.S., and Federal Older Americans Act (OAA). The agency receives and administers multiple federal, state, and local grants exceeding \$35 million annually and requires an auditor with proven experience in complex grant environments and Single Audit (Uniform Guidance) requirements.

SCC is subject to Florida's Public Records Law, F.S. 119 and F.S. 28.011-286.012 relating to public meetings. Thus, all proposals become public record after thirty (30) days from opening, or earlier if SCC provides notice of an intended decision before the thirty (30) days expires. If SCC rejects all proposals and concurrently provides notice of its intent to reissue the RFP, the rejected proposals remain exempt from the public records requirement until such time that SCC provides notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued RFP or until SCC withdraws the reissued RFP. A proposal is not exempt from public records disclosure for longer than twelve (12) months after the initial SCC notice rejecting all proposals. Information that is confidential and /or exempt from public records disclosure will not be produced provided that it is legally required that it not be produced or a specific exemption from disclosure exists as determined solely by SCC. If you believe you are submitting anything that is confidential and/or exempt from disclosure in accordance with F.S. 119, you must clearly mark it as such. However, the determination of whether something is confidential and/or exempt from disclosure remains in SCC's sole discretion.

All meetings of the RFP Review Committee, Financial Planning and Accounting Committee and SCC Board will be publicly noticed and open to the public in accordance with applicable law.

This Request for Proposal (RFP) outlines the scope of services, submission requirements, evaluation criteria, and timelines for interested firms.

Background

SCC operates a wide range of programs that support aging individuals, including but not limited to home and community-based services, nutrition programs, and other mission-critical initiatives. Our funding sources include:

- Federal grants (e.g., Older Americans Act,)
- State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs funding
- Local agency allocations
- Private grants and donor contributions

Total annual funding exceeds \$35M, requiring robust financial oversight and compliance with federal Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements (2 CFR Part 200).

Scope of Services

A. Annual Financial Audit

The selected auditor will be responsible for completing an independent financial audit in accordance with:

- Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS)
- Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS)
- Uniform Guidance (Single Audit) requirements, if applicable
- Florida state regulations and grantor-specific requirements

B. Audit components include

- Examination of financial statements and related disclosures
- Review of internal control systems and compliance with grant terms
- Assessment of federal and state award expenditures
- Preparation of the Single Audit report, including Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA)
- Management letter with recommendations for process improvements
- Presentation of audit results to the Board of Directors and the Financial Planning & Accounting Committee

C. Tax Preparation & Filing

The CPA firm will prepare and file:

- IRS Form 990 for SCC
- IRS Form 990-N for Care Connections, Inc. (legally active organization but functionally dormant)
- Any required Florida state filings
- Related schedules and disclosures
- Review of governance, public disclosure, and compliance matters related to exempt organizations

D. Advisory & Support

As needed, the firm may provide:

- Guidance on grant compliance, allowable costs, and reporting
- Support related to indirect cost rate development or allocation methodologies
- Best practice consultation for internal controls and financial processes

Information & Access to Be Provided

To complete audit and tax services, SCC will provide the selected firm with access to:

- Financial statements, general ledger, and chart of accounts
- Payroll records and benefits documentation
- Grant agreements, budgets, and financial reporting packages
- Policies and procedures related to financial management and procurement
- Prior-year audit reports, management letters, and tax filings
- Board meeting minutes and governance documents
- Client service contracts and related documentation
- Access to key personnel for interviews and clarifications

Proposal Requirements

Interested firms should submit a proposal that includes:

A. Firm Overview

- History and Capacity:

§ Provide the history and size of the firm, including whether it is a local, regional, or national firm

§ Indicate the numbers of partners, managers, supervisors, seniors, and staff members that are employed by the office.

§ Office location from which the work is to be performed

· Relevant Experience: Detail experience with Florida nonprofits and aging service organizations. Specifically highlight experience with agencies receiving \$1M+ in federal/state grants and your expertise in Single Audits under Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200).

· Staff Continuity: Describe the firm's commitment to staff continuity and stability for personnel assigned to this multi-year agreement.

B. Team Qualifications

· Key Personnel: Provide bios for the engagement partner, manager, and key staff. Include their specific background in aging services or human services agencies.

· Credentials: Detail governmental and nonprofit audit credentials (e.g., Yellow Book/GAGAS qualifications).

· CPE Compliance: Confirm that all assigned staff are current with Continuing Professional Education (CPE) requirements related to Government Auditing Standards.

C. Fees

· Transparent Fee Schedule: Provide a fixed audit fee, including the Single Audit fee.

· Tax Services: Fees for Form 990 preparation for both SCC and Care Connections, Inc.

· Additional Services: Hourly rates for additional consulting.

· Multi-Year Projection: Total cost for each year for a multiple year contract to be awarded for an initial term of three (3) years. The contract may be renewed for four (4) additional one-year periods provided both parties agree and all terms and conditions remain the same. Total contract length, including individual one-year extensions, shall not exceed seven (7) years.

§ Consideration of price increases at each renewal period will be given provided such escalations are justified, reasonable and acceptable to SCC.

§ Any price increases must be documented and approved by SCC.

§ It is also expected that de-escalation of prices will be extended to SCC if the market so reflects.

D. Engagement Letter

- Proposed engagement letter listing proposed terms.

E. Audit Approach

· Understanding of Scope: A statement setting forth your understanding of the work, the complexity of diverse grant funding, and the specific reporting needs of aging service providers.

· Communication: Outline the process for communication with agency leadership and the timeline for fieldwork, draft reports, and final issuance.

· Staffing Plan: Breakdown of staff levels, estimated hours, and percentage of time assigned to the engagement.

F. References & Past Performance

· Client References: Provide at least three nonprofit or grant-funded clients (preferably Florida-based) in the aging industry.

· Performance History: For each reference, include a contact name, phone number, and description of services. Highlight your history of meeting deadlines and maintaining long-term client relationships.

G. Required Disclosures & Risk Assessment

· Peer Review: Provide the most recent peer review report.

· Regulatory History: Results of any federal or state desk/field reviews in the past three (3) years. Provide details on any disciplinary actions taken or pending.

· Litigation: Describe any litigation in the last five years regarding breach of contract or any failed/incomplete contracts for similar services.

· Independence: Provide a formal independence confirmation.

H. Technical Approach & Methodology

· Technical Methodology: Describe the approach to audit planning, risk assessment, and sampling methodology.

· Internal Controls: Describe the approach to assessing internal controls and grant compliance.

· Technology & Efficiency: Describe the use of technology and software tools to support audit efficiency and secure data exchange.

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

· Demonstrated experience with nonprofit and grant-funded audits

· Qualifications of the audit team

· Understanding of agency operations and compliance needs

· Audit strategy and ability to meet timelines

· Cost competitiveness and clarity of fee structure

· References and past performance

Timeline

· RFP Release Date: January 28, 2026

- Questions Due: February 9, 2026, 11:59 p.m. to jody.bone@sccmail.org. Only Written questions will be responded to. Responses will be emailed to all applicants by February 11, 2026, 5:00 p.m. Please note that all correspondence is subject to Florida's public records laws.
- Proposals Due by: February 16, 2026, 11:59 p.m.
- Review Committee Meeting: February 24, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. which will be held at SCC's office – 8928 Brittany Way, Tampa.
- Financial Planning and Accounting Committee: February 27, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom. The Zoom link will be posted on SCC's website (seniorconnectioncenter.org).
- Final Selection: Board Meeting on March 3, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. which will be held at SCC's office – 8928 Brittany Way, Tampa. A Zoom link option will be posted on SCC's website (seniorconnectioncenter.org).
- Audit Fieldwork Begins: No later than May 18, 2026
- Draft Reports Delivered: July 15, 2026
- Financial Planning & Accounting Committee Presentation: August 28, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- SCC Board Presentation: September 8, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. which will be held at SCC's office – 8928 Brittany Way, Tampa.
- Final Reports Issued: September 8, 2026
- 990 Drafts: September 15, 2026

Submission Instructions

Please submit proposals electronically in PDF format to:

Jody Bone
Chief Financial Officer
Senior Connection Center, Inc.
jody.bone@sccmail.org
(813)676-5575

Additional Notes

The agency reserves the right to:

- Request clarifications
- Conduct interviews
- Reject any or all proposals
- Award the contract based on overall value and qualifications

Proposal Evaluation Scoring Matrix

Below is the scoring matrix for evaluating firms responding to the Audit & Tax Services RFP. Each category includes weighted criteria aligned with the agency's needs, especially those related to federal and state grant compliance, Single Audit expertise, and nonprofit experience.

Scoring Summary Table

Evaluation Category	Weight	Scoring Range	Description
1. Firm Qualifications & Experience	25%	0–25 points	Depth of experience with nonprofits, Florida agencies, and complex grant-

			funded audits over \$1M.
2. Audit Team Expertise	20%	0–20 points	Credentials and relevant experience of engagement partner, manager, and key staff.
3. Fee Structure & Cost Reasonableness	20%	0–20 points	Competitiveness, clarity, and completeness of proposed fees for audit, Single Audit, and Form 990.
4. Understanding of Agency Needs	15%	0–15 points	Demonstrated grasp of aging services, federal grants, internal control requirements, and programmatic complexities.
5. References & Past Performance	10%	0–10 points	Strength of references, performance with similar organizations, reliability, and quality of prior work.
6. Technical Approach & Methodology	10%	0–10 points	Proposed audit approach, Single Audit compliance expertise, communication plan, and timeline.
Total Possible Score	100%	0–100 points	

Detailed Evaluation Criteria

1. Firm Qualifications & Experience — 25 points

Evaluators should consider:

- Demonstrated experience with nonprofit organizations, especially Florida-based
- Expertise in Single Audits and Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200)
- History working with agencies receiving \$1M+ in federal/state grants
- Recent and clean peer review report
- Stability and capacity to support multi-year engagements

Score Guidance:

0 – 10: Limited experience, unclear relevance

11 – 20: Adequate experience with some relevant engagements

21 – 25: Strong, highly relevant experience with similar organizations

2. Audit Team Expertise — 20 points

Evaluate the qualifications of the specific individuals assigned:

- Engagement partner's nonprofit and government audit background
- Government Auditing Standards (Yellow Book) CPE compliance
- Experience with aging services organizations or human services agencies
- Team continuity and structure

Score Guidance:

0 – 8: Team lacks depth or relevant credentials

9 – 15: Qualified team with moderate relevant experience

16 – 20: Highly qualified team with strong track record

3. Fee Structure & Cost Reasonableness — 20 points

Evaluate:

- Transparency of the fee structure
- Competitive pricing relative to scope
- Clarity of audit, Single Audit, and Form 990 pricing
- Hourly rates for additional services
- Value for the level of expertise provided

Score Guidance:

0 – 8: Unclear or disproportionately high

9 – 15: Reasonable and market-aligned

16 – 20: Excellent value with transparent structure

4. Understanding of Agency Needs — 15 points

Measures how well the proposal demonstrates insight into the agency's environment:

- Complexity of large, diverse grants
- Aging services program structures
- Required reporting to funders and state agencies
- Internal control challenges typical in human-services nonprofits

Score Guidance:

0 – 5: Minimal understanding

6 – 10: Moderate understanding, reasonably articulated

11 – 15: Deep understanding and thoughtful alignment with agency context

5. References & Past Performance — 10 points

Evaluate the quality of references, including:

- Similarity of referenced clients
- Reliability, responsiveness, and communication
- Ability to meet deadlines and deliver clear reports
- History of long-term relationships

Score Guidance:

0 – 4: Weak or unclear references

5 – 7: Adequate and relevant references

8 – 10: Strong references with consistent positive performance

6. Technical Approach & Methodology — 10 points

Consider the firm's proposed approach, including:

- Audit planning, risk assessment, and sampling methodology
- Approach to evaluating internal controls and grant compliance
- Timeline feasibility for fieldwork, draft, and final reports
- Communication plan with agency leadership and finance staff
- Use of technology to support audit efficiency

Score Guidance:

0 – 4: Vague or generic approach

5 – 7: Clear plan with some customization

8 – 10: Robust, detailed, and tailored to the agency

Final Evaluation & Selection

There will be a Review Committee made up of three staff members that will evaluate all proposals. Each evaluator will score the proposals independently.

- The Review Committee will meet on February 24, 2026 to discuss the scores and then average the scores to determine rankings.
- The Review Committee will make a recommendation(s) to the Financial Planning and Accounting Committee on February 27, 2026. Some firms may be contacted for an interview that will be held during the Financial Planning and Accounting Committee meeting on February 27, 2026.
- The Financial Planning and Accounting Committee will determine the final recommendation(s) to be made to the Board which will be considered and voted on by the Board at the March 3, 2026 Board meeting. A firm may be selected based on the highest scoring proposal or best overall value considering experience, approach, and cost.
- All meetings will be publicly noticed and open to the public in accordance with F.S. 286.

Section XII

Miscellaneous

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Index of Administrative Rules Filed with the Secretary of State Pursuant to subparagraphs 120.55(1)(b)7. – 8., F.S., the below list of rules were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State between 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 21, 2026, and 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 27, 2026.

Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
12-10.006	1/22/2026	2/11/2026
12-10.008	1/22/2026	2/11/2026
12-10.009	1/22/2026	2/11/2026
12D-7.016	1/26/2026	2/15/2026
19-8.029	1/22/2026	2/11/2026
64B11-4.005	1/21/2026	2/10/2026

64B14-7.003	1/26/2026	2/15/2026
64B17-7.001	1/22/2026	2/11/2026
64B33-5.001	1/23/2026	2/12/2026
68-1.003	1/23/2026	2/12/2026
LIST OF RULES AWAITING LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL SECTIONS 120.541(3), 373.139(7) AND/OR 373.1391(6), FLORIDA STATUTES		
Rule No.	File Date	Effective Date
14-10.0043	4/11/2025	**/**/****
62-42.300	12/31/2025	**/**/****
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DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Florida Building Commission

Notice of Florida Building Code Binding Interpretation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Binding Interpretation Panel has issued a binding interpretation pursuant to Section 553.775, Florida Statutes, in response to a petition submitted by Jared Blount, and accepted by BOAF on January 7, 2026. The following is a summary of the interpretation:

Question: Is replacement of windows considered a modification to the building's structural system and therefore required to meet the requirements of Section 110.8.1 of the Florida Building Code, Building, 8th Edition (2023)?

Answer: The answer to the Petitioner's question is yes. The replacement of windows constitutes a modification of the building's structural system. Accordingly, this work is required to comply with Section 110.8.1 of the Florida Building Code, Building, 8th Edition (2023).

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