- (1) The individual completes a Department application for assistance to the best of the individual's ability using either the ACCESS Florida Application, CF-ES 2337, 11/2011 05/2010, incorporated by reference, or an ACCESS Florida Web Application (only accepted electronically), CF-ES 2353, 09/2011, incorporated by reference, and submits it. An application must include at least the individual's name, address and signature to initiate the application process. An eligibility specialist determines the eligibility of each household member for public assistance. An applicant can withdraw the application at any time without affecting their right to reapply at any time.
- (c) If the eligibility specialist determines during the interview or at any time during the application process that the applicant must provide additional information or verification, or that a member of the assistance group must comply with Child Support Enforcement or register for employment services, the eligibility specialist must give the applicant written notice to provide the requested information or to comply, allowing ten calendar days from request or the interview, whichever is later. For all programs, verifications are due ten calendar days from the date of written request or the interview, or 60 30 days from the date of application, whichever is later. In cases where the applicant must provide medical information, the return due date is 30 calendar days following the written request or the interview, or 60 30 days from the date of application, whichever is later. If the due date falls on a holiday or weekend, the deadline is the next working day. If the applicant does not provide required verifications or information by the deadline date the application will be denied, unless the applicant requests an extension or there are extenuating circumstances justifying an additional extension. The eligibility specialist makes the decision of whether to grant the request for extension. When the applicant provides all required information or verification, the eligibility specialist determines eligibility for the public assistance programs. If the eligibility criteria are met, benefits are authorized.
- (6) The Department conducts data exchanges with other agencies and systems to obtain information on each applicant and recipient. It uses data exchanges to validate or identify social security numbers, verify the receipt of benefits from other sources, verify reported information, and obtain previously unreported information.
- (a) The Department conducts data exchanges with the Social Security Administration, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Economic Opportunity Agency for Workforce Innovation, federal and state personnel and retirement systems, other states' public assistance files and educational institutions. IF REQUESTED WITHIN 7 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, A HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE DATE. TIME AND PLACE SHOWN BELOW (IF NOT REQUESTED, THIS HEARING WILL NOT BE HELD): DATE AND TIME: January 10, 2012, 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 3, Room 455, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700

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: Cindy Keil. 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: Cindy Keil, ACCESS Florida Program Policy, 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 3, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0700, cindy keil@dcf.state.fl.us, (850)717-4113.

# Section IV **Emergency Rules**

## **NONE**

## Section V Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Rule Variance or Waiver

### DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 6, 2011, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, received petition for a permanent waiver of subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., from Collier County Sheriff's Office on behalf of 174 officers for the 2008 reporting period (7/1/2006 - 6/30/2008). Subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., requires officers to requalify with a firearm every two years on a course of fire mandated by Commission rule and supervised by a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor. The petition supports the requested waiver by stating that the 174 officers at issue did successfully complete the course of fire, however, the instructors supervising the requalifications were not CJSTC-certified firearms instructors. Petitioner states that the officers will suffer a substantial hardship if their certifications are rendered inactive as a result of this situation. Petitioner further states that it would violate the principles of fairness to fail to recognize that the officers did successfully complete the requirement simply because non-CJSTC-certified firearms instructors supervised the 2008 mandatory firearms requalification for the officers.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Grace A. Jaye, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or by telephoning (850)410-7676.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 7, 2011, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, received a petition for a permanent waiver of subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., from Madison County Sheriff's Office on behalf of Captain Mark Joost for the 2008 and 2010 mandatory firearms requalification reporting cycles. Subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., requires officers to requalify with a firearm every two years on a course of fire mandated by Commission rule and supervised by a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor. The petition supports the requested waiver by stating that the officer at issue did successfully complete the course of fire, however, because he was the only CJSTC-certified firearms instructor at his agency, he signed his own CJSTC 86A form for both the 2008 and 2010 reporting cycles. Petitioner states that the officer will suffer a substantial hardship if his certification is rendered inactive as a result of this situation. Petitioner further states that it would violate the principles of fairness to fail to recognize that the officer did successfully complete the requirement simply because, as a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor, he signed his own CJSTC 86A form for the 2008 and 2010 mandatory firearms requalification reporting cycles. A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Grace A. Jaye, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or by telephoning (850)410-7676.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 6, 2011, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, received petition for a permanent waiver of subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., from Winter Park Police Department on behalf of one officer for the 2008 (7/1/2006 -6/30/2008) and one officer for the 2010 (7/1/2008 - 6/30/2010)mandatory firearms requalification reporting periods. Subsection 11B-27.00212(14), F.A.C., requires officers to requalify with a firearm every two years on a course of fire mandated by Commission rule and supervised by a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor. The petition supports the requested waiver by stating that one of the officers at issue is a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor. This officer supervised his own regualification shoot for the 2008 mandatory firearms requalification reporting cycle and signed his own CJSTC 86A form. Another officer successfully completed his course of fire for the 2010 mandatory firearms requalification cycle in front of an instructor who had not completed all paperwork to become a CJSTC-certified firearms instructor. Petitioner states that the officers will suffer a substantial hardship if their certifications are rendered inactive as a result of this situation. Petitioner further states that it would violate the principles of fairness to fail to recognize that the officers did successfully complete the requirement simply because one officer supervised his own requalification shoots and signed his own CJSTC 86A form for the 2008 cycle and one officer completed his mandatory course of fire while supervised by a non-CJSTC-certified firearms instructor for the 2010 mandatory firearms requalification reporting cycle.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Grace A. Jaye, Assistant General Counsel, Florida Department of Law Enforcement, P. O. Box 1489, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or by telephoning (850)410-7676.

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Board of Medicine hereby gives notice that the Petition for Waiver or Variance filed by Alexandra Taylor, M.D., has been withdrawn, upon request of the Petitioner. The Notice of Petition for Waiver or Variance was published in Vol. 37, No. 49, of the December 9, 2011, issue of the F.A.W. The person to be contacted regarding this Petition is: Joy A. Tootle, Executive Director, Board of Medicine, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C03, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3053.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 14, 2011, the Board of Physical Therapy Practice, received a petition for Andrea Hall, seeking a variance or waiver of paragraph 64B17-4.001(2)(a), Florida Administrative Code, request a clear and definitive statement as to the education is equivalent to a CAPTE-accredited Physical Therapist Assistant education program for a license to practice in the state of Florida.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Board of Physical Therapy Practice, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C05, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3255. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Physical Therapy Practice/MQA within 14 days of publication of this notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 16, 2011, the Board of Physical Therapy Practice, received a petition for Katarzyna Skladanowski, seeking a variance or waiver of Rule 64B17-3.003, Florida Administrative Code, request the Boards consideration of a Waiver based on her credential evaluation and professional work experience.

A copy of the Petition for Variance or Waiver may be obtained by contacting: Allen Hall, Executive Director, Board of Physical Therapy Practice, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin #C05, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3255. Comments on this petition should be filed with the Board of Physical Therapy Practice/MQA within 14 days of publication of this notice.