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New Deferment Type Code for Cancer Treatment

This information is intended for the person in your organization who is responsible for working with the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS®). Please ensure that the appropriate person receives this update.

Introduction

The purpose of this technical update is to notify Guaranty Agencies (GAs) of a new deferment type code to report Cancer Treatment Deferments. As described in the August 22, 2019 Electronic Announcement, the Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2019, Title III of Pub.L. 115-245 created a new Cancer Treatment Deferment for borrowers in the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan), the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), and the Federal Perkins Loan (Perkins Loan) programs.

New Deferment Type code – Cancer Treatment ‘CD’

Guaranty Agencies may report Cancer Treatment Deferments for eligible FFEL program loans. NSLDS accepts ‘CD’ as the code for GAs to report the new loan deferment type via Student Aid Internet Gateway (SAIG) batch submittal and online loan update on the NSLDS Professional Access website. The updated Deferment Type Codes (Table B-3) and Deferment Type Usage Codes (Table B-4) pages of the Guaranty Agency Data Provider Instructions (DPI) are attached.

Attachment A: GA DPI Appendix B, GA Coding Tables change pages

If you have any questions, please contact the NSLDS Customer Support Center at 1-800-999-8219 or by email at NSLDS@ed.gov.