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TO: Financial Aid Administrators

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SUBJECT: 2017-18 DRAFT Cal ISIR Record Layout and Cal ISIR Cross Reference Documents

This Operations Memo from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) announces that the draft versions of the 2017-18 California Dream Act Institutional Student Information Report (Cal ISIR) Record Layout and Cal ISIR Cross Reference documents are now available. Cal ISIRs are generated from the submitted and processed California Dream Act Applications. Similar to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), students release the data to one or more schools.

The draft Cal ISIR documents:

- Describe the data fields of the 2017-18 Cal ISIR.
- Describe changes in valid field content and data description as compared to the 2016-17 academic year.
- Provide financial aid administrators a preview on proposed changes.

The Commission is waiting for the U.S. Department of Education to post the final 2017-18 Cal ISIR layout documents. To date, no timeline has been provided. The Commission understands the importance of these tools and plans a quick turnaround, if no major ISIR layout changes are included in the final version.

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