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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 1, 2023

TO: Institutional Research Directors

FROM: Barbara Schmertz, Ph.D. Director of Research and Policy Analysis
Parris Jackson, Director of the Office of Information Technology

SUBJECT: Public Institutions only
Discontinuance of the S-15 First-time Undergraduate Student Cohort SSN
Change – Effective FY24



This memo serves as notification that the S-15 First-time Undergraduate Student Cohort SSN Change survey will be discontinued. This applies to public institutions only and will take effect for the 2023-24 data collection year. This survey has always been an optional submission.

MHEC is transitioning from its legacy system that was tied to the S-15 process. Mindful that the S-15 allowed institutions to reconcile SSN data for future MHEC reporting, MHEC is exploring alternative options, which includes greater reliance on the campus ID as a secondary match tool. MHEC will work with institutional partners as we consider options and discuss them with stakeholders as needed.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Parris Jackson at parris.jackson@maryland.gov.