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### [ED proposes Gainful Employment rule for for-profit colleges](#)

The Department of Education published a highly-anticipated, 219-page proposed rule setting "gainful employment" standards to determine which community colleges and for-profit colleges are eligible for Title IV program funds, based on student performance. ED will use student program cohort default rates and debt-to-earnings ratios to determine higher education program eligibility.

## Rulemaking

### [HHS proposes exchange standards for 2015 and beyond](#)

HHS published a proposed rule setting certain standards for the healthcare exchange and insurance market for the year 2015 and beyond. The proposal spans a number of issues, including quality reporting, non-discrimination standards, minimum certification standards for qualified health plan issuers, the Small Business Health Options Program, and enforcement remedies in Federally-facilitated exchanges.

### [Treasury finalizes contract clause on minorities, women](#)

Treasury published a final rule amending its acquisition regulations to include a contract clause on the inclusion of minorities and women, as required by the Dodd-Frank Act. The clause will require contractors to ensure the fair inclusion of women and minorities in the workforce.

### [SEC proposes standards for covered clearing agencies](#)

SEC published a proposed rule establishing standards for the operation and governance of "covered clearing agencies." The proposed standards govern general organization, financial risk management, settlement, default management, operational risk management, access, efficiency, and transparency for covered clearing agencies.

### [CFTC seeks input on swaps data reporting rules](#)

CFTC published a proposed rule seeking input from the public on "specific swap data reporting and recordkeeping rules to help determine how such rules are being applied and to determine whether or what clarifications, enhancements or guidance may be appropriate."

### [CFTC interim final rule limits accessibility of some swap data](#)

CFTC published an interim final rule clarifying permissible access to swap data maintained by a registered swap data repository (SDR) by some market participants. Counterparties to a swap executed anonymously may access information held by SDRs about the swap, except for information about the identity of the other counterparty to the swap.

### [EPA direct final rule amends HCFC trade regulations](#)

EPA published a direct final rule amending its existing regulations governing the trade of HCFCs pursuant to the Montreal Protocol.

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