

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Strategic Planning Committee  
November 5, 2020**

**SUBJECT:** Professional Licensure & Certification Exam First-time Pass Rates

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For information

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Professional licensures and certification first-time pass rates are an important indicator of both graduate and program quality. As part of the annual university accountability plans, each institution's exam passage rates are compared against national or state average passage rates. At the Committee's July 21, 2020 meeting, there was discussion regarding institutions that did not meet the benchmarks for these exams. In response to this discussion and at the direction of the Committee Chair, Board staff developed a framework for an improvement plan for the institutions that were not within five points of the benchmarks on the exams. The plans will include information on improvements in the short-term for students currently enrolled, additional exam and student outcomes, admission requirements, curriculum, student progression, faculty support, accreditation, and how the institution has worked with other State University System institutions on best practices to improve the rates.

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University will present improvement plans for their Pharmacy and Physical Therapy programs, both of which are five points below the benchmarks.

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<b>Supporting Documentation Included:</b>	Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Licensure Exam Improvement Plans
<b>Facilitators/Presenters:</b>	University Representatives