

PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS CHECKLIST

1. COMPLETE THE PSLF EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATION FORM

- Complete the PSLF Employment Certification Form (instructions on form)
- Employer must fill out Section 4
- Complete a separate PSLF Employment Certification Form for each public service employer you've had since October 1, 2007 (this program is **retroactive**!)
- Find the form online here: <u>https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/public-service-employment-certification-form.pdf</u>
- 2. SUBMIT THE PSLF EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATION FORM
- Submit completed forms to FedLoan Servicing (PHEAA) following instructions on the form
- U.S. Department of Education FedLoan Servicing P.O. Box 69184
 - Harrisburg, PA 17106-9184
- 3. DETERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT QUALIFICATION FOR PSLF
- FedLoan Servicing reviews your PSLF Employment Certification Form
- □ Within 2-4 weeks you will receive notification of qualification or a request for additional information
- □ If you receive a request for more information you may be asked to provide additional documentation such as W-2 pay stubs or other documents from your employer.
- 4. NOTIFICATION OF DIRECT LOAN TRANSFER
- □ If your employment qualifies within 1-2 months after submitting your PSLF Employment Certification Form you will receive notification that your Federal Direct Loans have been transferred to FedLoan Servicing – you now have a single servicer for all of your Federal Direct Loans!
- □ Loans not transferred? You may be able to consolidate them into a Federal Direct Consolidation Loan to make them eligible for PSLF. (Resets the 120 payment count. You may only want to consolidate the non-Direct Loans in order to not lose qualifying payments on Direct Loans. Fill out the application check only the loans you want to consolidate and the check box to consolidate.
- Call PSLF department before consolidating at 855-265-4038
- 5. NOTIFICATION OF PAST QUALIFYING PAYMENTS
- □ If your employment qualifies and your Direct Loans have been transferred, FedLoan Servicing will notify you within 6-9 months how many past qualifying payments you have already made and how many must be made to reach 120 payments.
- 6. RESUBMIT PSLF EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICAITON
- Resubmit the PSLF Employment Certification annually, whenever you change jobs, or when you want to find out how many qualifying payments you have made towards your 120 payments. (2-4 weeks receive notification of your qualifying payment count)
- Call PSLF Department with questions 855-265-4038

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