

Update on the Discussions of the TPA Users Advisory Committee October 2011

Overview of this Report

This report provides an update of the discussions of the TPA Users Advisory Committee and its implications for accreditation.

Background

The TPA Users Committee is a standing advisory committee of individuals representing those implementing one of the three TPA models in California's educator preparation programs. The list of individuals who serve on this committee is available at the following webpage:
<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/TPA-files/TPA-UAC-Members.pdf>.

Last year, discussions with this committee led to improvements in the manner in which the four TPA related standards (Program Standards 16, 17, 18, 19) are reviewed in program assessment. Discussions with this workgroup led to the development of a subgroup of BIR trained individuals who are assigned to reviewing the standard responses for these standards for every institution that has submitted program assessment documentation. This ensures that the very technical aspects of the TPA models and the institution's adherence to standards are reviewed appropriately.

The TPA Users Committee met most recently on September 30, 2011. Staff will update the Committee on discussions that took place at this meeting as they relate to accreditation. These include:

- The implications of the adoption of the revision of CSTPs and the adoption of the Common Core Standards
- Findings from data collection of pass rates for TPA
- Implementation of the TPA

In addition, reporting of TPA data including assessor information in the biennial report will also be discussed.