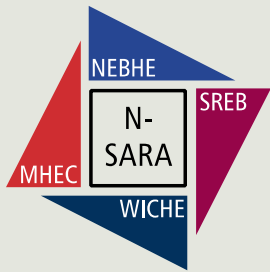


SARA



New England Board of Higher Education State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement

A voluntary, regional approach to state oversight of distance education

What is SARA

- A uniform method across the nation which establishes a state-level reciprocity process to serve all interested states, accommodate all sectors of higher education, and support quality for distance education administered by the four existing regional compacts

Benefits

- ▣ States
- ▣ Institutions
- ▣ Students

Implementation

■ State Level

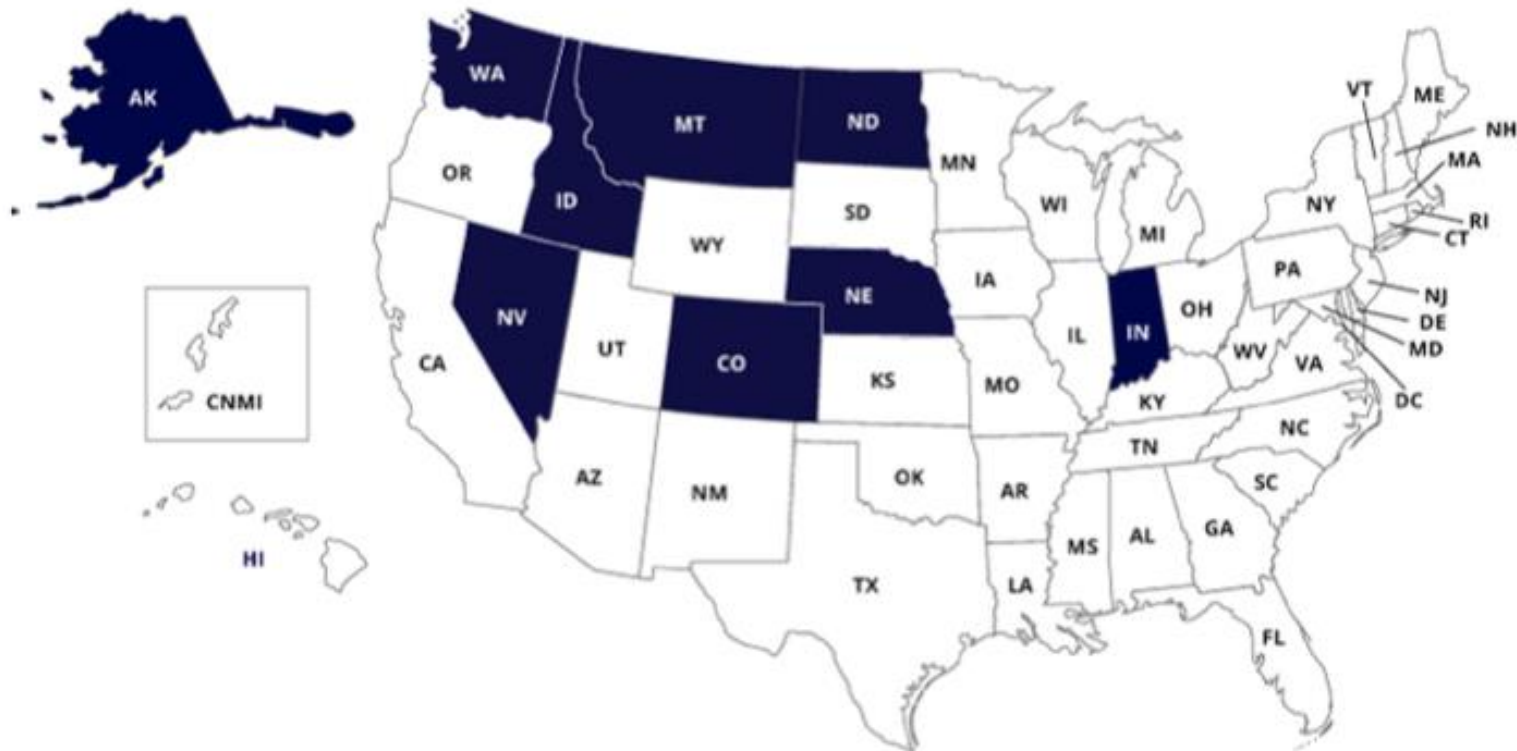
- State law includes a reasonable definition of physical presence, for purposes of interstate reciprocity
- State law allows participation in the reciprocity agreement
- Identify lead SARA agency
- Adopt in-state funding model if needed
- Submit application to RSC

■ Institutional Level

- Apply through home state
- Demonstrate on an annual basis that they comply with all standards and requirements

National Update

SARA States & Institutions



STATE ACTIONS REGARDING SARA

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United States and Territories	Legislation introduced	Legislation passed	Application to regional compact	Approved as SARA state
Alabama				
Alaska	✓	✓	✓	✓
American Samoa				
Arizona	✓	✓		
Arkansas	n/a	n/a		
California				
Colorado	✓	✓	✓	✓
Connecticut	✓			
Delaware				
District of Columbia				
Florida				
Georgia				
Guam				
Hawaii	✓	✓		
Idaho	n/a	n/a	✓	✓
Illinois	✓	✓		
Indiana	✓	✓	✓	✓
Iowa	✓	✓		
Kansas	✓	✓		
Kentucky				
Louisiana	✓			
Maine				
Maryland				
Massachusetts				
Michigan				
Minnesota	✓	✓		
Mississippi				
Missouri	✓	✓		
Montana	n/a	n/a	✓	✓
Nebraska	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nevada	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Hampshire	✓	✓		
New Jersey				
New Mexico				
New York				
North Carolina	n/a	n/a		
North Dakota	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Marianas Islands				
Ohio	✓	✓		
Oklahoma	n/a	n/a		
Oregon	✓	✓		
Pennsylvania				
Puerto Rico				
Rhode Island				
South Carolina				
South Dakota	✓	✓		
Tennessee				
Texas				
Utah	✓	✓		
Vermont	✓	✓		
Virginia	✓	✓		
Virgin Islands				
Washington	✓	✓	✓	✓
West Virginia				
Wisconsin				
Wyoming				

n/a: Legislation not needed

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Northeast Update

NEBHE Compact

- Connecticut
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- New Hampshire
- Rhode Island
- Vermont

Non-Affiliated States

- New Jersey
- New York
- Pennsylvania

Massachusetts Update

- Surveyed all AICUM institutions, 23 responses were submitted
 - Half of the respondents were only authorized to offer distance education in 0-5 states, enrolling 0-50 students
 - Only three institutions offered distance education to more than 400 students
- Almost all respondents expected to enroll in SARA if Massachusetts applied and was approved

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Moving Forward

- Express support to appropriate decision makers
- Schedule a presentation to your state agency, association, institution or colleagues
- Visit www.nebhe.org/sara for additional information, resources, and links to SARA work in the other three regional compacts

Upcoming Presentations

- Online Learning Consortium, October 28-31, 2014, Orlando, Florida
- UPCEA New England Regional Conference, October 29-31, Manchester, VT
- WCET Annual Conference, November 19-21, Portland, OR
- International Forum for Women in E-learning (IFWE), December 3-5, 2014, San Antonio, Texas
- NEASC Annual Conference, December 11, Boston, Massachusetts

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