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PROFESSIONAL LEARNING PARTNER GUIDE

TRANSITION TO ANNUAL APPLICATION CYCLE

Beginning in 2026, applications for the Professional Learning Partner Guide (PLPG) will occur during a **single annual cycle** running from **August through May**, aligned to the school year.

Here's What You Need to Know:

This change **does not** disrupt your current approval, participation, or standing in the PLPG.

Provider reviews and advancement decisions take place within the August–May annual cycle.

Key decision points occur in December (**Gateway 1**) and May (**Gateways 2&3 + Renewals**).

There is no spring cycle in 2026. If you were expecting to renew or apply for additional certifications this spring, you will now do so as part of the annual cycle beginning in August for providers applying for additional HQIM.

The **provider portal** will reflect up-to-date information about your particular renewal schedule and the updated cycle dates soon.

Why the Change?

This update reflects both what we've learned from working closely with providers and the thoughtful input many of you shared as we explored ways to strengthen and streamline the program. Our goal with this shift is to provide greater clarity, predictability, and alignment for providers and district partners alike—while continuing to uphold the rigor and integrity of the PLPG.

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