Student Identifiers Amendment (Authorised Collection, Use or Disclosure—Regional University Centres Program) Regulations 2021

I, General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor‑General of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, make the following regulations.

Dated 18 March 2021

David Hurley

Governor‑General

By His Excellency’s Command

Alan Tudge

Minister for Education and Youth

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1 Name

 This instrument is the *Student Identifiers Amendment (Authorised Collection, Use or Disclosure—Regional University Centres Program) Regulations 2021*.

2 Commencement

 (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | The day after this instrument is registered. | 23 March 2021 |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

 (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

 This instrument is made under the *Student Identifiers Act 2014*.

4 Schedules

 Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Student Identifiers Regulation 2014

1 Section 4

Insert:

***Regional University Centres Program*** means the program specified in subsection 7C.1.1 of the *Other Grants Guidelines (Education) 2012*.

2 After section 15

Insert:

15A Authorisation—Regional University Centres Program

 (1) This section applies if a grant has been made to an entity under Part 2‑3 of the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, under the Regional University Centres Program.

 (2) The entity is authorised to:

 (a) collect or use a student identifier of an individual who is registered with the entity or to whom the entity provides support; or

 (b) disclose a student identifier of such an individual to the Secretary of, or an APS employee in, the Education Department or a third party engaged by the Education Department;

for the purposes of assisting the Education Department to administer, or to undertake policy development in relation to, the Regional University Centres Program.

3 At the end of the instrument

Add:

Part 4—Application, saving and transitional provisions

19 Amendments made by the *Student Identifiers Amendment (Authorised Collection, Use or Disclosure—Regional University Centres Program) Regulations 2021*

 Section 15A, as inserted by the *Student Identifiers Amendment (Authorised Collection, Use or Disclosure—Regional University Centres Program) Regulations 2021*, applies in relation to the use or disclosure of a student identifier on or after the commencement of this section, regardless of when the student identifier was collected.