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Webinar

Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP)
SEVIS Update Series: SEVIS 6.16 Updates

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General

- Use the Q&A window to let us know if you are having audio or other technical issues.
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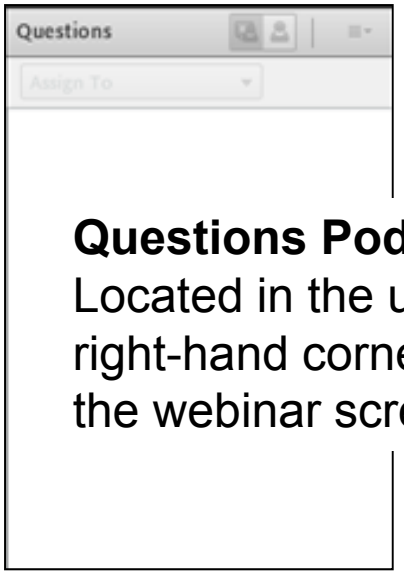
There will be a Q&A session at the end where we will answer questions, but you may submit questions at any time.



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Agenda

- Overview
  - Current initiatives
  - Future updates
- Conversion of Form I-17 school accreditations and recognitions information
- Schools with pending petitions for initial school certification
- New look for Fields 10 and 11
- Questions and answers
- Resources

Overview - Current Initiatives

- Performance enhancements
  - Improved search capability
  - Improved list functionality
- Conversion of school accreditations and recognitions
- Capturing accreditations and recognition information for schools that submitted petitions for initial certification

Overview - Future Updates

- Mass updates
- Templates
- Standardization of names
- Address validation
- Identifying questionable data
- Reporting

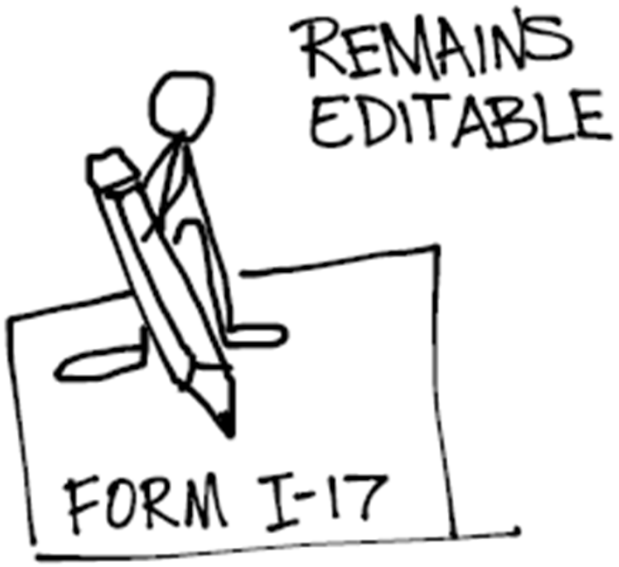
Conversion of Form I-17 School Accreditations and Recognitions Information

I-17 Conversion: Background

- Corrects a national security vulnerability
- Provides:
  - Data standardization and accuracy
  - Ease of input
  - Comprehensive list of agencies
  - Allows complete input of names

Very Important Note

This process is considered a data conversion project – **NOT** a Form I-17 petition update.



Conversion Process

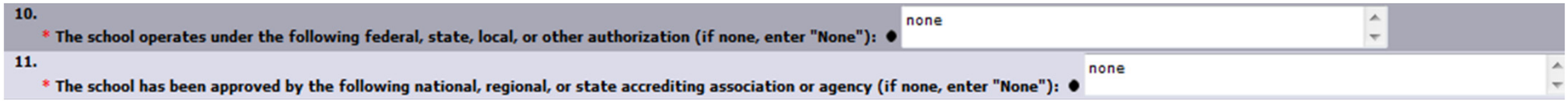
Conversion process:

- SEVP-certified schools with pending updates to Accreditations/Recognitions field
- SEVP-certified schools with **No** pending updates to Accreditations/Recognitions field

Conversions for schools with a pending recertification will be treated like a school with no pending updates.

Only two existing fields on Form I-17 are affected by the conversion:

- Field 10: The school operates under the following federal, state, local, or other authorization
- Field 11: The school has been approved by the following national, regional, or state accrediting association or agency



SEVP will provide detailed guidance to assist schools with the conversion.

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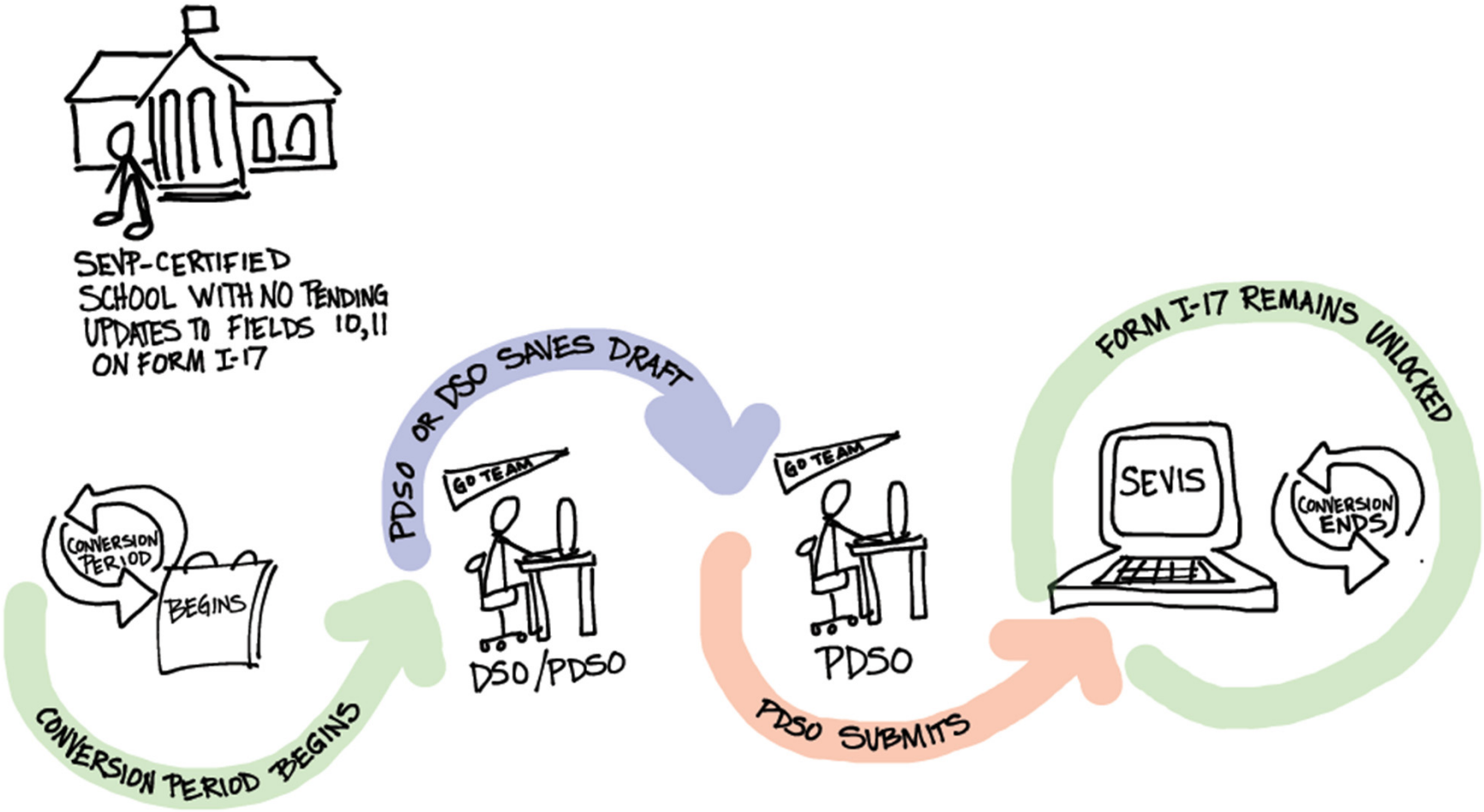
SEVP-Certified – No Pending Updates



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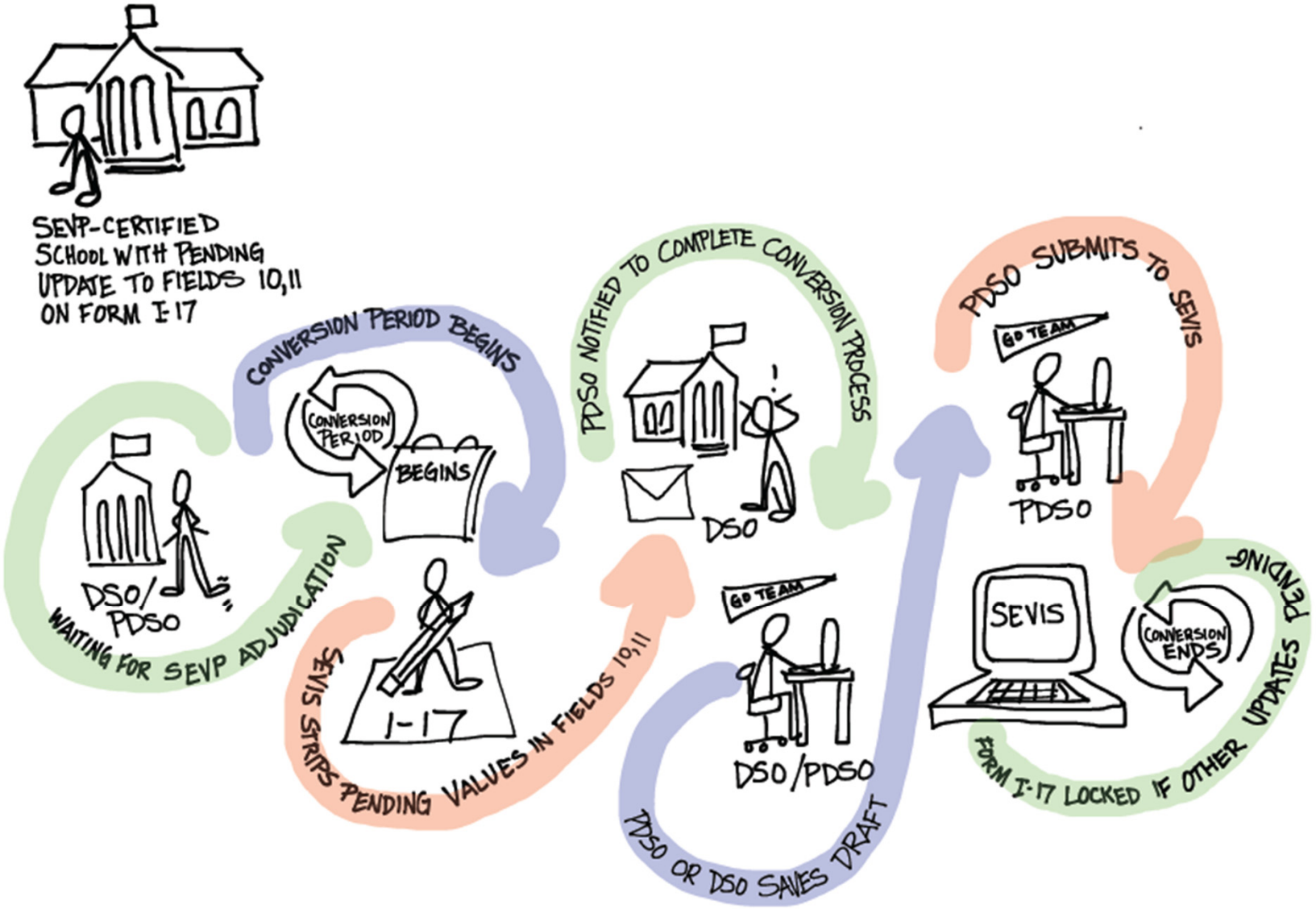
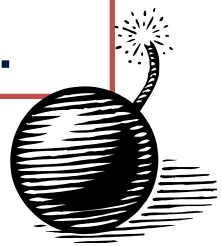
SEVP-Certified – Pending Updates



Schools Have **90** Days to Complete the Conversion Process

Any schools that do not complete the conversion process by the end date …



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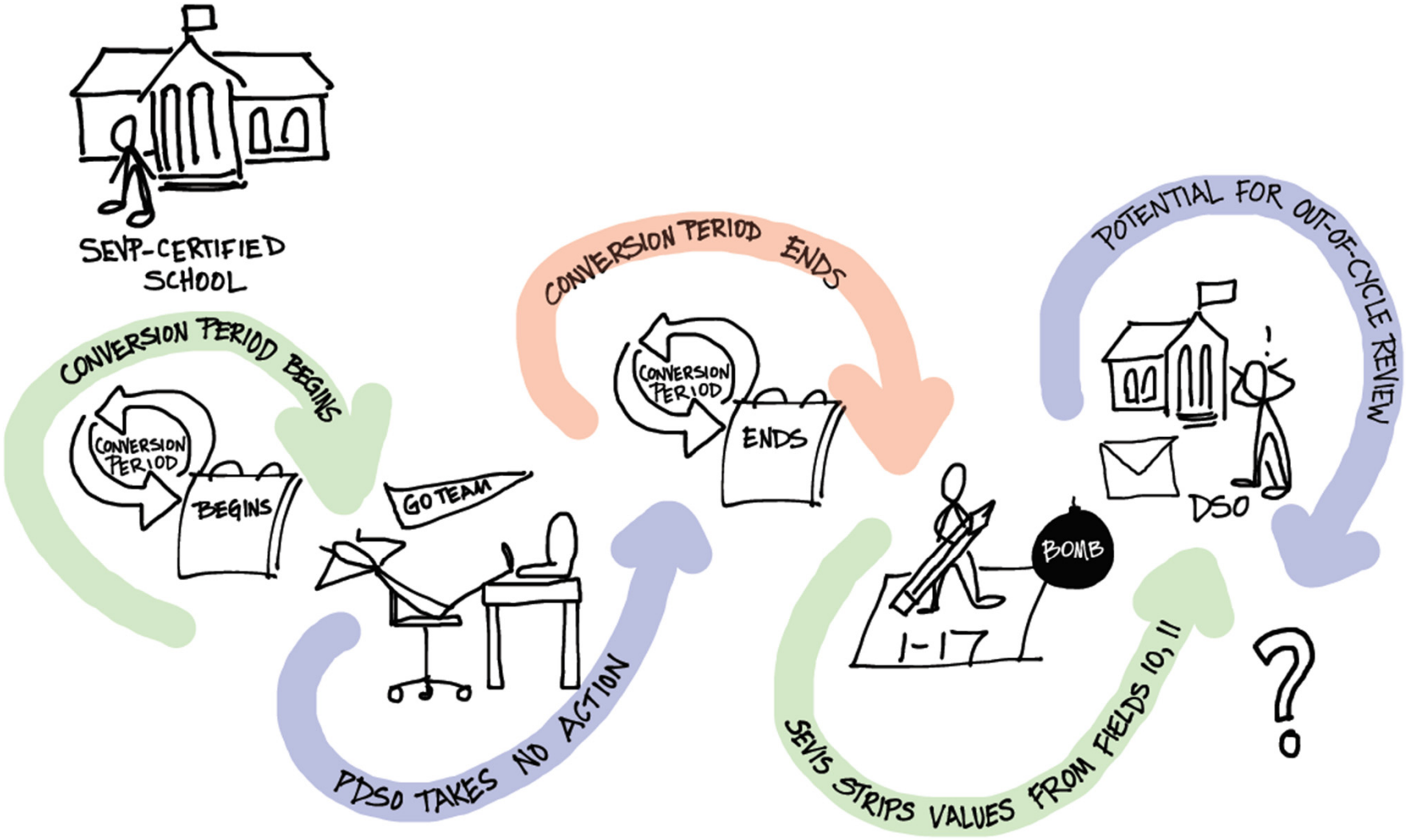
"Unconverted" Schools



Schools with Pending Applications for Initial Certification

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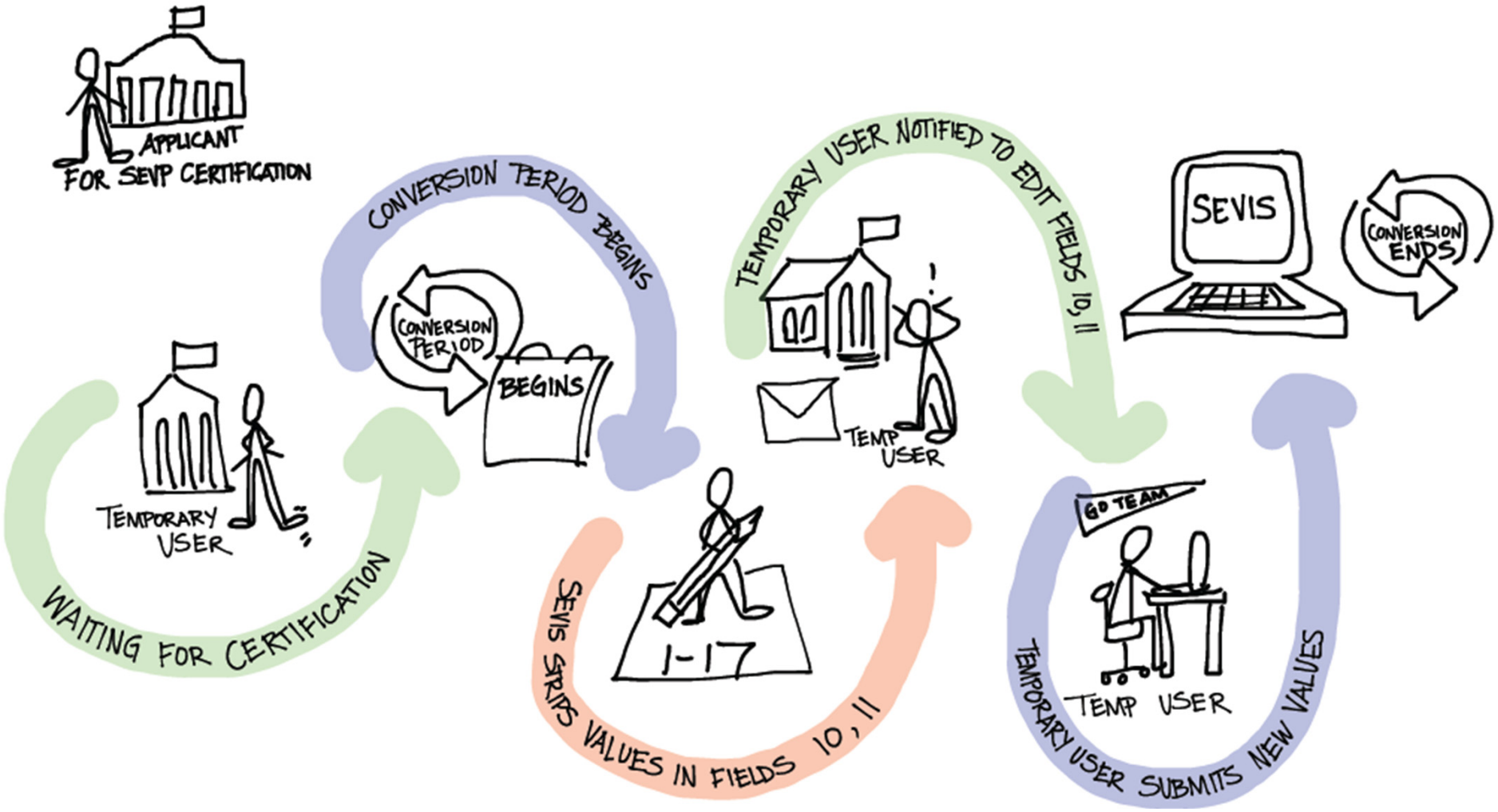
Initial Applications for School Certification



New Look for Fields 10 and 11

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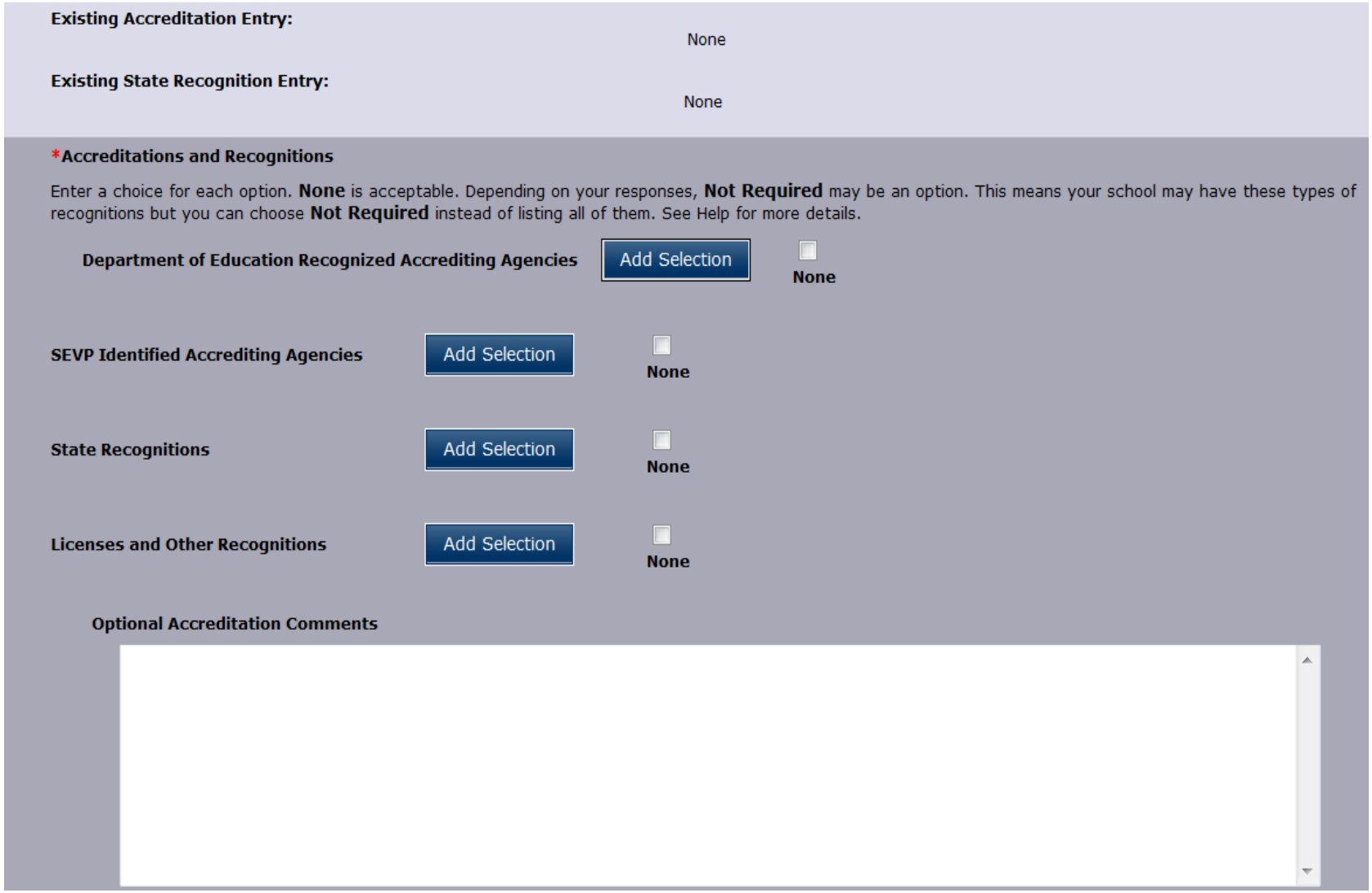
Form I-17: New Field 10



Accreditations and Recognitions Modal Window

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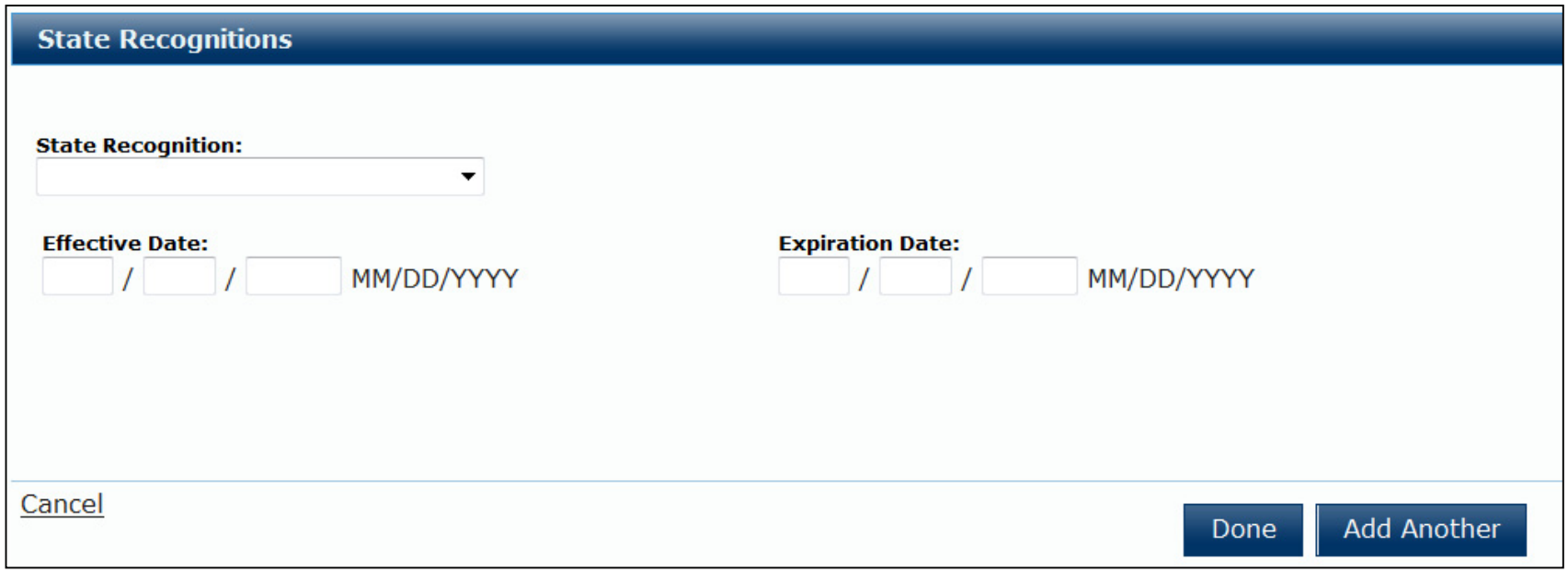
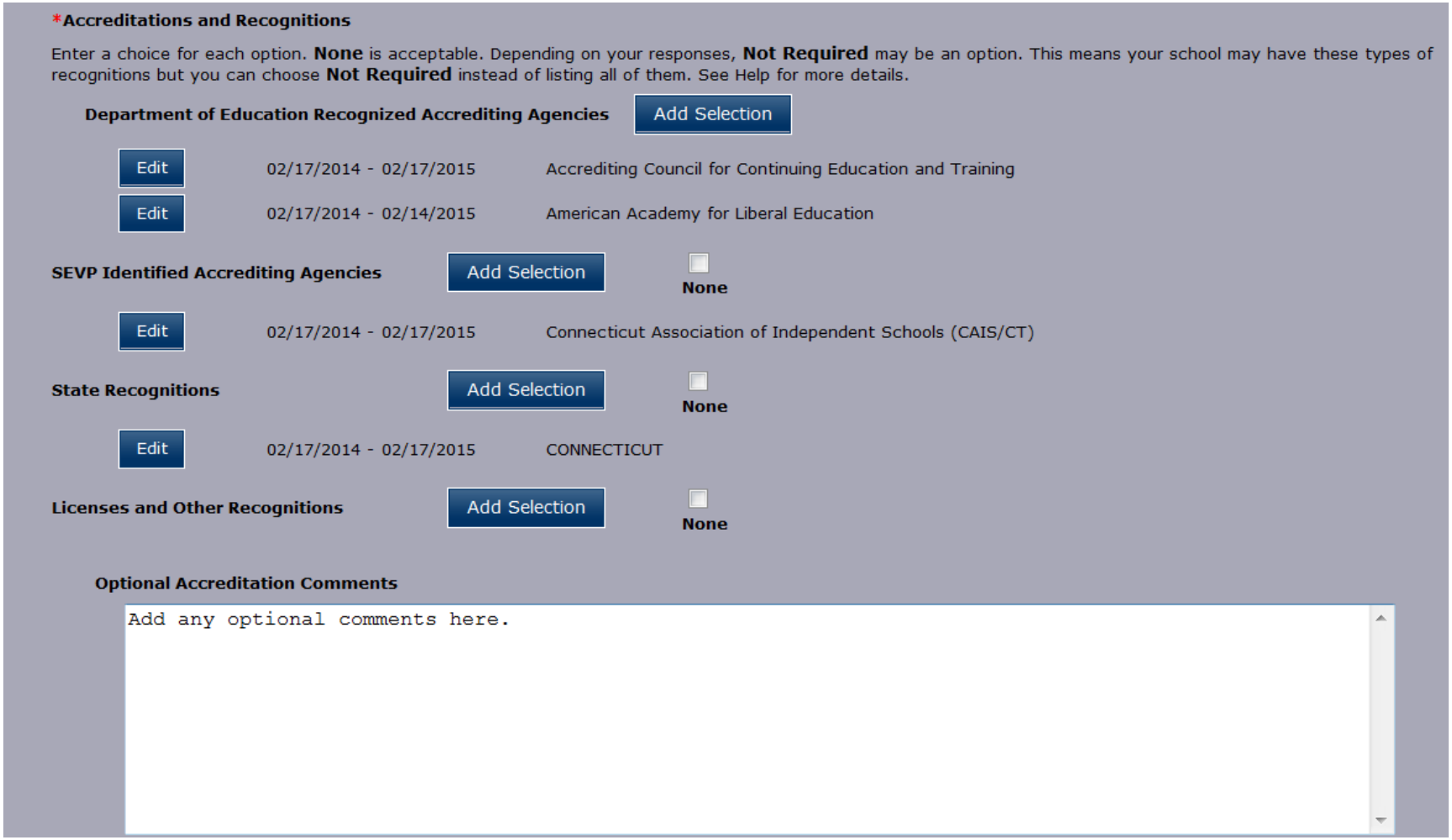


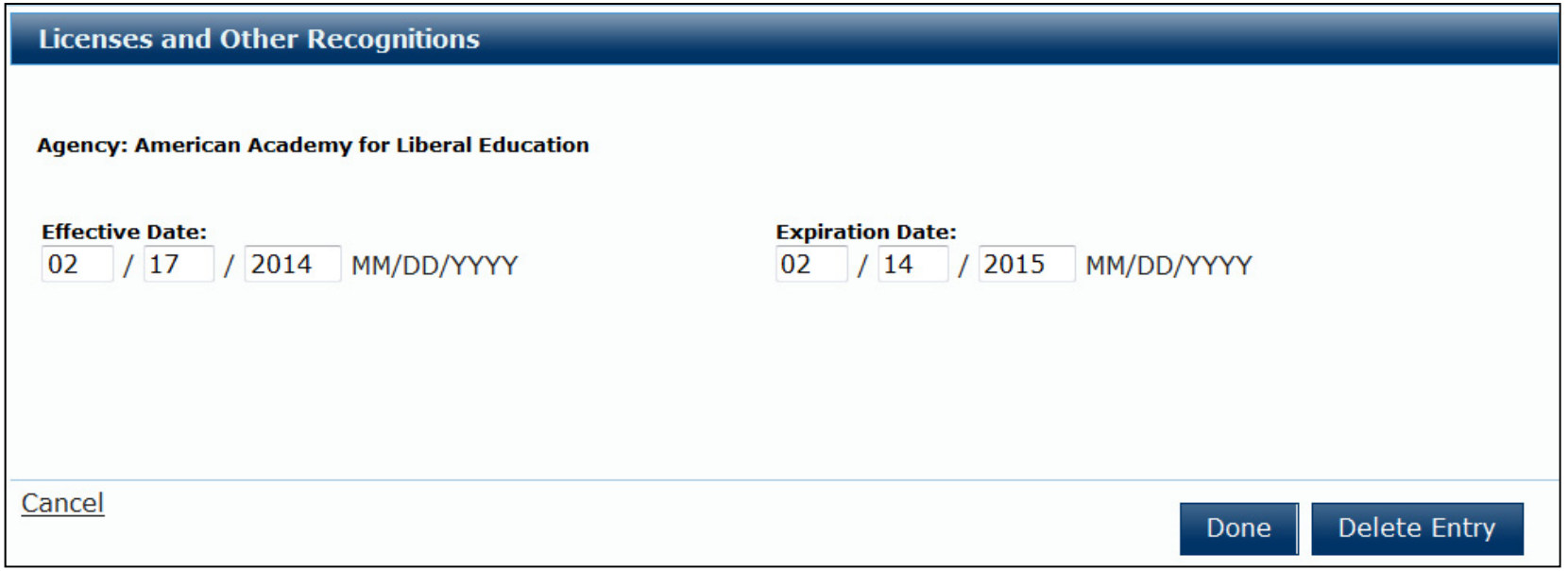
Accreditations and Recognitions Added Info

Added Information Displays



Accreditations and Recognitions Edit/Delete Info

Edit or Delete Information from the Modal Window



Form I-17: New Field 11

*** FAA Certification:**

You must choose one of the options below. If you choose Part 141/Part 142, you can enter an FAA Certification Number for either Part 141, Part 142, or for both.

Note: The FAA number must be 8 characters and cannot include any special characters or spaces.

	FAA Certification Number		Effective mm/dd/yyyy		Expiration mm/dd/yyyy
○ Part 141		Effective Date:		Expiration Date:	
Part 142		Effective Date:		Expiration Date:	
○ None					

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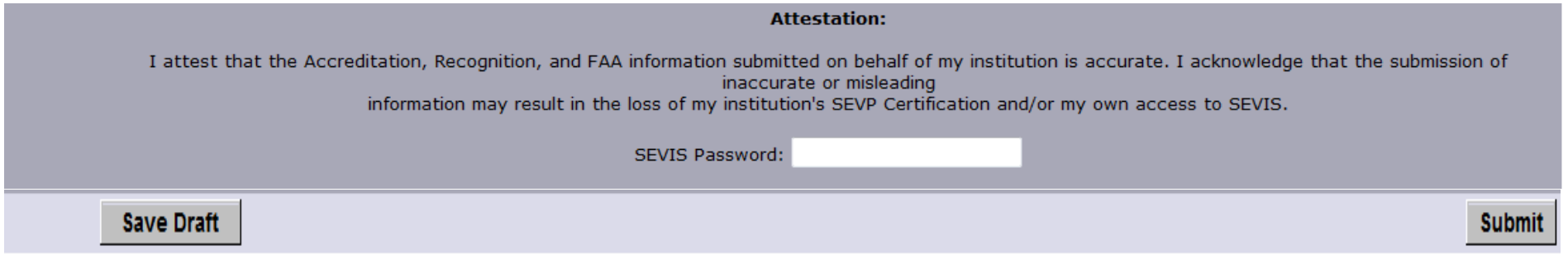

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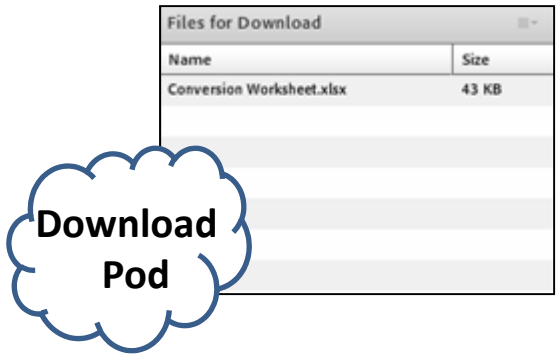
I-17 Conversion Worksheet

- Dept. of Education Recognized Agencies List
- SEVP-Identified Accrediting Agencies List
- State Recognized Agencies List

Use the **worksheet** to pre-select agency information for easy data input during the conversion process.



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Picture of the Conversion Worksheet

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1	**Form I-17 Accreditations and Recognitions Conversion Worksheet**			
2	Type of Accreditation/Recognition	Name of Agency	Start Date	End Date
3	Department of Education (DoEd) Recognized	Use the spaces below to record the DoEd agency that accredited your school. Select "None" if you are not accredited by a DoEd-recognized agency.	Enter effective date.	Enter expiration date.
14	SEVP-Identified Agency	Use the spaces below to record the SEVP-Identified agency(ies) that accredited your school. Write "None" if you are not accredited by a SEVP-Identified agency.	Enter effective date.	Enter expiration date.
27	State-Recognized Agencies	Use the spaces below to record the state-recognized agency(ies) that accredited your school. Write "None" if you are not accredited by a state-recognized agency.	Enter effective date.	Enter expiration date.

Instructions | **Conversion Worksheet** | Dept. of Education Agencies | SEVP Identified Agencies | State Agencies

Agency Tabs

Questions and Answers

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