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<p>Symbols: DPQSP/FJH</p>		<p>Action: Immediate</p>

PURPOSE: To inform OA staff, State Apprenticeship Agencies (SAAs), Registered Apprenticeship Sponsors, and other Registered Apprenticeship partners of the rescission of Bulletin 2015-11, dated February 12, 2015, announcing the apprenticeability of the occupation Hearing Aid Specialist, and the suspension of Bulletin 2015-23, dated June 18, 2015, announcing National Guidelines for Apprenticeship Standards (NGS) for the International Hearing Society.

BACKGROUND: Upon review, OA has determined that additional review of the Hearing Aid Specialist occupation is necessary. Accordingly, OA is rescinding Bulletin 2015-11. In light of this decision, OA is suspending the use of the NGS described in Bulletin 2015-23.

ACTION: OA staff, SAA staff, Registered Apprenticeship Sponsors, and other Registered Apprenticeship partners should familiarize themselves with this bulletin. Until further notice, OA staff, SAA staff, Registered Apprenticeship Sponsors, and other Registered Apprenticeship partners may not register any apprentices or programs under the standards announced in Bulletin 2015-23.

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