Civil Monetary Penalty Adjustment for Inflation

The Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015, as amended, requires agencies to make regular and consistent inflationary adjustments of civil monetary penalties to maintain their deterrent effect. To improve compliance with the act, and in response to multiple audits and recommendations, agencies should report annually in the Other Information section the most recent inflationary adjustments to civil monetary penalties to ensure penalty adjustments are both timely and accurate.

Location for Penalty Update Details:

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/02/03/2021-02231/adjustment-of-civil-monetary-penalties-for-inflation

Table 15

Penalty	Authority	Date of Previous Adjustment	Date of Current Adjustment	Current Penalty Level
Failure to provide information for cost of higher education	20 USC 1015(c)(5)	1-14-20	2-03-21	\$ 39,693
Failure to provide information regarding teacher- preparation programs	20 USC 1022d(a)(3)	1-14-20	2-03-21	33,062
Violation of Title IV of the HEA	20 USC 1082(g)	1-14-20	2-03-21	59,017
Violation of Title IV of the HEA	20 USC 1094(c)(3)(B)	1-14-20	2-03-21	59,017
Failure to disclose information to minor children and parents	20 USC 1228c(c)(2)(E)	1-14-20	2-03-21	1,742
Improper lobbying for government grants and contracts	31 USC 1352(c)(1) and c(2)(A)	1-14-20	2-03-21	20,731 to 207,314
False claims and statements	31 USC 3802(a)(1) and (a)(2)	1-14-20	2-03-21	11,803