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Title: Using the "No Visit Needed" Field in LEAD

For use by: FCC, GSA and R&P Licensing

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Most transactions in the Licensing Education Analytic Database (LEAD) require that a visit be linked to the transaction as part of the due diligence checklist in order to complete the particular transaction. The purpose of connecting visits to transactions is to ensure that EEC has checked for regulatory compliance regarding items related to licensing transactions.

LEAD only allows a visit to be linked to one and only one transaction. In addition, complaint investigation visits cannot be linked to transactions. As a result, in certain circumstances a licensor may not need or be able to link a visit to a transaction. <u>Two examples</u> are:

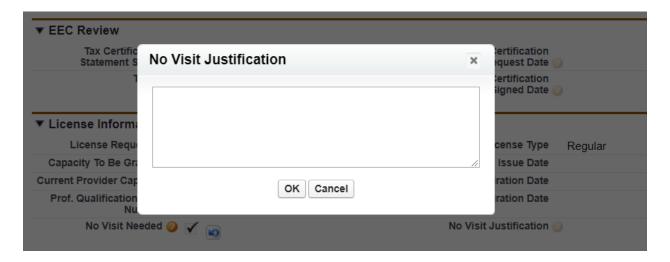
- An FCC provider wishes to reactivate his or her license a week following an
 investigation that found no regulatory non-compliances. No transaction-related visit
 is needed if the licensor recently visited the program for investigation activities and
 no changes were made to the licensed environment. Note that investigation visits
 cannot be linked to transactions.
- A Licensee wishes to add a classroom shortly following the issuance of a license. The licensor may have already reviewed the space during the previous visit.

There may be additional scenarios not mentioned in this procedure where a visit may not be necessary.

How to process a No Visit Needed transaction:



If the licensor has determined that a transaction does not require a visit, or the completed visit is unable to be linked to the transaction, the licensor must scroll to the License Information part of the provider record and click the "No Visit Needed" checkbox. The licensor must also complete the "No Visit Justification" field:



LEAD requires that the licensor note information about the decision to not require a visit. On the "No Visit Justification" screen, the licensor must note the previous visit number and describe how regulatory compliance was determined during that visit. Make sure to save.

Once completed, the due diligence checklist will automatically complete the "Visit association to this transaction" item:

