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E-Rate Updates

1. FY2021 FCC Form 470

The deadline for filing an FY2021 Form 470 was February 25, 2021.

2. FY2021 FCC Form 471

The FY2021 Form 471 application filing window will close on March 25, 2021 at 11:59 PM EDT.

If you filed a new Form 470 this year:

- You cannot file the Form 471 before the 28-day waiting period is completed
- The Contract Award Date that you report must be on or after the Allowable Contract Date but before the date you certify the Form 471

Before you get into the form itself, you will need to complete the Contracts Module within your EPC profile:

- *If you are signing a new contract for FY2021:* You must add a record for it in the Contracts Module before you can reference the contract ID in your form (it is easier if you do this before beginning your form)
- *If you have an existing multi-year contract in place for which you created a contract record in EPC and the contract extends through FY2021:* You do not need to add another record. Simply refer to the same contract ID in your FY2021 form.
- *If you have an existing multi-year contract in place for which you created a contract record in EPC and the contract extends through FY2021 and it was amended (for example if you exercised a voluntary extension):* The same guidance applies. Simply refer to the same contract ID in your FY2021 form. Be prepared to provide the amendment to your PIA reviewer.

Guides for Form 471 activities are available at the Maine E-Rate Resources website:
go to erate.networkmaine.net and click on the link for EPC Training Guides

3. FCC Form 486

After you go through PIA review and receive a Funding Commitment Decision Letter, you will need to file a Form 486 to indicate the start of services. Letters will be sent within EPC.

The Form 486 must be certified no later than 120 days after the service start date or 120 days after the date of the FCDL, whichever is later.