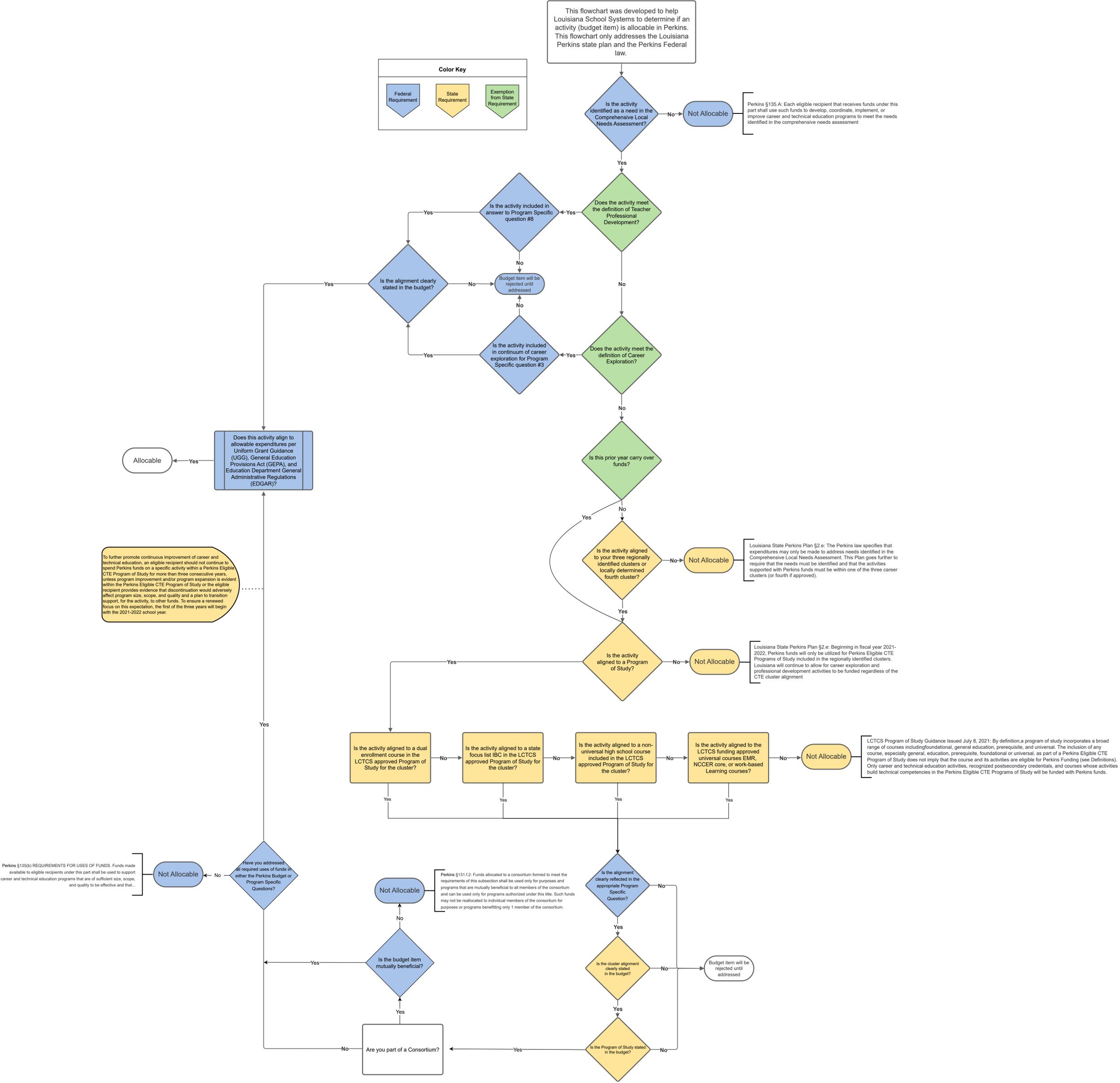
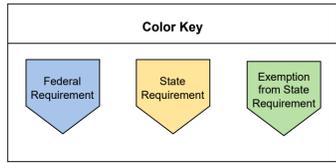


This flowchart was developed to help Louisiana School Systems to determine if an activity (budget item) is allocable in Perkins. This flowchart only addresses the Louisiana Perkins state plan and the Perkins Federal law.



Perkins §135.A: Each eligible recipient that receives funds under this part shall use such funds to develop, coordinate, implement, or improve career and technical education programs to meet the needs identified in the comprehensive needs assessment

Louisiana State Perkins Plan §2.e: The Perkins law specifies that expenditures may only be made to address needs identified in the Comprehensive Local Needs Assessment. This Plan goes further to require that the needs must be identified and that the activities supported with Perkins funds must be within one of the three career clusters (or fourth if approved).

Louisiana State Perkins Plan §2.e: Beginning in fiscal year 2021-2022, Perkins funds will only be utilized for Perkins Eligible CTE Programs of Study included in the regionally identified clusters. Louisiana will continue to allow for career exploration and professional development activities to be funded regardless of the CTE cluster alignment

LCTCS Program of Study Guidance Issued July 8, 2021: By definition, a program of study incorporates a broad range of courses including foundational, general education, prerequisite, and universal. The inclusion of any course, especially general, education, prerequisite, foundational or universal, as part of a Perkins Eligible CTE Program of Study does not imply that the course and its activities are eligible for Perkins Funding (see Definitions). Only career and technical education activities, recognized postsecondary credentials, and courses whose activities build technical competencies in the Perkins Eligible CTE Programs of Study will be funded with Perkins funds.

Perkins §135(b) REQUIREMENTS FOR USES OF FUNDS. Funds made available to eligible recipients under this part shall be used to support career and technical education programs that are of sufficient size, scope, and quality to be effective and that...

Perkins §131.f.2: Funds allocated to a consortium formed to meet the requirements of this subsection shall be used only for purposes and programs that are mutually beneficial to all members of the consortium and can be used only for programs authorized under this title. Such funds may not be reallocated to individual members of the consortium for purposes or programs benefiting only 1 member of the consortium.

To further promote continuous improvement of career and technical education, an eligible recipient should not continue to spend Perkins funds on a specific activity within a Perkins Eligible CTE Program of Study for more than three consecutive years, unless program improvement and/or program expansion is evident within the Perkins Eligible CTE Program of Study or the eligible recipient provides evidence that discontinuation would adversely affect program size, scope, and quality and a plan to transition support, for the activity, to other funds. To ensure a renewed focus on this expectation, the first of the three years will begin with the 2021-2022 school year.