Entrance Counseling Checklist

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___ You must abide by the requirements set forth in your Master Promissory Note (MPN).

___ Your MPN is an official contract between you and your lender. The MPN contains the interest rate, fees\(^1\), and repayment terms of your loan.

___ You must repay your loan, including all accrued or capitalized interest, as well as fees\(^1\) that you have incurred.

___ You understand that you are legally obligated to pay back your loan even if:

   • You do not graduate or complete your education.
   • You cannot find employment.
   • You are not satisfied with the education or other services you received from your school.
   • Your loan is sold to another party.

___ If you do not repay your loans, you will be in default, and the following actions may be taken against you:

   • The unpaid balance of your loan, including accrued interest and late fees\(^1\), will become immediately due and payable.
   • Your default will be reported to all national credit bureaus.
   • You will no longer qualify for deferment or forbearance options.
   • Legal action can be taken against you. You could then be responsible for all attorney fees and court costs.
   • A collection agency can be hired to collect the loan balance. You will be responsible for paying collection costs.
   • Your wages can be withheld (garnished) to pay the loan balance.
   • Your federal and state tax refunds can be withheld to pay the loan balance.
   • You will not be eligible for any other federal financial aid.
   • If your profession requires a license to practice, you can be denied renewal of your professional license until you have made satisfactory arrangements to repay your loan.

___ You have been shown average anticipated regular monthly payment amounts for student loans made to borrowers at your school in your program of study.

___ You understand that you must complete exit counseling before you graduate from school or drop below half-time status. This process allows you to fully understand your rights, responsibilities, and repayment options before you begin making payments on your loan.

\(^1\)The U.S. Department of Education does not assess late fees.