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Announcements & Updates

Red Flag Report

WSID used to publish a report known as the Red Flag and Early Warning Report which provided information on major layoff and closure events throughout the state. The report was discontinued in June 2009. Due to interest generated by some of you, we have decided to reproduce the report content in a different format. These links provide access to the new reports: [WARN Activity Report](#) and [TAA Petitions](#). The information will be updated quarterly and posted on Inside WorkSource.

Common Measures Presentation

WSID's System Performance team recently delivered a presentation to WIA staff and managers from the Snohomish workforce development area. Facilitated by David Walter, the presentation included a brief history of Common Measures, a discussion on the nine individual measures, and the role data integrity plays in Washington State's ability to meet regulatory reporting obligations. Ideas were also shared on potential changes to SKIES that would aid staff in efficiently and accurately entering data. If your office would like to schedule a visit on this topic or is interested in a webinar covering this subject, please contact [David Walter](#).

Q&As Being Developed and Updated

Based on a number of questions from local partners regarding the Community Partnership National Emergency Grant (NEG), WSID is preparing a Q&A. The Q&A for the WIA Self Employment Training (SET) Policy 3705 is also being updated. WSID will send out notices once they are posted.

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Department of Labor (DOL) Region 6 Comprehensive Review

The U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA) Region 6 conducted a comprehensive program review in Washington from August 20 - 31. The programs under review include Workforce Investment Act Title 1B, Wagner-Peyser, National Emergency Grants, Trade Adjustment Assistance, Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker, Veterans Employment and Training Services and Unemployment Insurance. The collective programmatic and fiscal reviews included discussions with state staff from the Employment Security Department (ESD) and the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board (WTECB). Local ESD and WDC staff in many workforce development areas were also included. A full report from DOLETA Region 6 is expected mid-October.

2012-16 State Integrated Workforce Plan Update

The State Plan has been reviewed by staff in the Governor's Executive Policy Office and was recommended to Governor Gregoire for signature. The State Plan will subsequently be submitted to the DOLETA for review and comment. The final State Plan needs to be approved by DOLETA and in place by December 31, 2012.

2013-17 Local Unified Plans

State staff is exploring the option of a single unified plan that encompasses what have historically been separate local strategic plans and local operation plans. The idea would be to have a three-part local plan that is patterned after the State Integrated Workforce Plan and covers strategic vision, WIA and Wagner-Peyser operations and local assurances. Tentative key dates include local plan instructions being issued by mid-November 2012 with draft local plans being due to ESD and WTECB by the end of March 2013. Board action recommending local plan approval would go to the Governor late May 2013 with Governor approval by June 30, 2013. The new local plans would be in effect from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2017. ESD and WTECB staff will be providing more information and opportunity for discussion.

American Job Center Branding

WSID has been reviewing recent TEGLs related to the implementation of the American Job Center branding initiative. The TEGLs describe the DOLETA's intent to implement a single brand for one-stops across the nation. During the US DOL comprehensive review, federal staff provided technical assistance to the state regarding implementation expectations and feedback on the state's proposed implementation plan. WSID will issue guidance on this topic in the near future. See [TEGL 36-11](#).

Career Bridge Tip of the Month

Q: How can I save my searches on Career Bridge?

- It's easy! Just click "Sign In/Register" in the upper right hand corner. You will be asked for an email and password. Once registered, you'll be able to save your career and education searches to your personal dashboard.

Got a Career Bridge question? Contact Marina Parr at mparr@wtb.wa.gov