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Governor



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Workforce Training & Education Coordinating Board
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Dear Members of the Board:

I appreciate the great work that you have engaged in over the last several months to ensure a smooth transition from the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Establishing new guidelines and criteria for WIOA training provider eligibility under Title I of the act is part of that work.

This eligible training provider list is crucial for our workforce system to help adult job seekers make informed choices that will help them succeed in today's economy. I appreciate your thorough consideration of "grandfathering" the existing training provider list for the first six months of WIOA, and I agree that, in this transitional environment, we need to maintain a viable catalogue of approved training options for program participants.

Therefore, I am approving the Board's request to extend the current list of training providers who were eligible under WIA. This extension will remain in effect through December 31, 2015, or until any earlier date established by transition policies that may be adopted.

Going forward, I expect the Board to work on establishing the new guidelines for WIOA training provider eligibility, as well as updating the consumer reporting system that helps WIOA participants make informed decisions about training.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jay Inslee
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