

Mass Workforce Issuance

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Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
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Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Regional Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Michael Taylor, Director
Department of Workforce Development

Date: May 14, 2010

Subject: **Negotiation of PY 2009 and PY 2010 State Performance Goals**

Purpose: To notify all Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other interested parties that the Commonwealth has chosen to submit a formal request to the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA) to negotiate the State Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title 1B and Wagner-Peyser performance goals for Federal Program Year 2009 (state Fiscal Year 2010) and Federal Program Year 2010 (state Fiscal Year 2011).

Background: In 2009, the Massachusetts Department of Workforce Development (DWD) negotiated selected performance levels for WIA Title I and Wagner-Peyser funded activities for Program Year 2009. (Reference: MassWorkforce Issuance 09-15, *Negotiation of PY 2009 State WIA Title I Performance Goals*, March 31, 2009.) In October 2009, the Department of Labor approved these adjustments to the PY 2009 performance goals for WIA Title I and Wagner-Peyser. (Reference: MassWorkforce Issuance 09-67, *State Performance Goals for Fiscal Year 2010*, October 14, 2009.)

The U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA) permits states the option to renegotiate performance goals any time before the end of the fiscal year. (Reference: TEGL 11-01, *Guidance on Revising Workforce Investment Act (WIA) State Negotiated Levels of Performance*, February 12, 2002.) DWD has chosen to submit a formal request to renegotiate selected performance goals for PY 2009.

In April 2010, ETA issued instructions to states on negotiating performance goals for Program Year 2010. (Reference: TEGGL 23-09, *Negotiating Performance Goals for the Workforce Investment Act Title IB Programs and Wagner-Peyser Act Funded Activities for Program Year 2010*, April 27, 2010). States have the option to keep their PY 2009 performance goals, or negotiate new goals. DWD has chosen to submit a formal request to negotiate performance goals for PY 2010.

Massachusetts is requesting renegotiation of selected performance goals for PY 2009 and negotiation of performance goals for PY 2010 based on economic factors impacting program participants (Attachment B). Attachment C provides data on quarterly performance for PY 2008 through the third quarter of PY 2009.

Inquiries: Individuals wishing to comment on the proposed request should email their comments or questions to mboyle@detma.org. Please identify the Issuance number and title of the Issuance.

Attachments:

- A. Proposed Performance Goals for Massachusetts – PY 2009 Adjustments and PY 2010 State Performance Goals
- B. Massachusetts Request to Renegotiate Performance Goals for PY 2009 and Negotiate Performance Goals for PY 2010
- C. Program Year 2008 and Program Year 2009 State Performance for WIA and Wagner-Peyser