



MASSACHUSETTS

Workforce Investment Act

WIA Communication No. 02-31

Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DET Regional Directors
DET Area Directors

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Jonathan Raymond, President
Commonwealth Corporation

Date: July 1, 2002

Subject: Welfare to Work Year Two (Federal FY99)
▪ Extended Period of Performance
▪ Distribution of Additional Funds

Purpose: To provide instructions to local areas for requesting an extended period of performance for Welfare to Work Year Two contracts and information regarding the distribution of additional 15% Governor's Reserve Federal FY99 Welfare-to-Work funds.

Background: The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, under the provisions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2001, has requested an extension of the termination date of the Federal FY99 Welfare to Work grant through December 31, 2003 (original end date: September 23, 2002). The extended period of performance will allow the remaining grant funds to be fully expended and will provide the needed operating time to complete participant activities supported by the grant.

In addition, the Commonwealth is distributing additional FFY99 Governor's Reserve funds using the same formula shares as used to distribute the state's original Year Two allocation.

Welfare-to-Work Year Two (FFY99) Grant Extension

An equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.
TDD/TTY 1-800-439-2370 - Voice 1-800-439-0183

Action

Required: Workforce Investment Boards must submit a request to the Commonwealth Corporation no later than July 12, 2002. Extensions of the Welfare-to-Work Year Two grant may be requested for an additional period of performance but no later than December 31, 2003. On behalf of the Workforce Investment Board and Chief Elected Official, this extension should be submitted in the form of a letter signed by both the WIB Director and the Fiscal Agent Director. The letter must include a proposed revised contract end date, a brief description of the services to be provided to new and current participants, and revised cumulative goals for participant enrollments and employment outcomes.

Please submit your extension request by July 19, 2002 to:

Ms. Rosemary Graham
Commonwealth Corporation
The Schrafft Center
529 Main Street, Suite 110
Boston, MA 02129-1125

Upon receipt of the extension request, Welfare-to-Work contracts will be modified and issued to reflect the extended period of performance and the revised funding totals.

Effective: Immediately.

Inquiries: Questions should be addressed to Diane Hurley (617) 727-8158, extension 2358.

Filing: Please file this in your notebook of previously issued WIA Communication Series Issuances as #02-31.

Attachment:

- Allocations Table – Distribution of Additional WtW Funds.