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cc:	WIOA State Partners
From:	Alice Sweeney, Director Department of Career Services
Date:	April 3, 2018
Subject:	Sustaining Grant-funded Projects for Long-term Success - Webinar
Purpose:	To notify Local Workforce Development Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce partners of the WorkforceGPS webinar: <u>WIOA Wednesday: Sustaining Grant-funded Projects for Long-term Success</u> , Wednesday, May 2 nd from 4:00 – 5:00.
Background:	In many grant-funded efforts, funders and grantees often assume that the funded project will continue when the grant is over. But for many, sustainability for their grant-funded efforts is elusive, and often becomes an exercise in finding the next grant. Fortunately, there are a host of strategies that can be employed to sustain key aspects of grant efforts. This webinar features four TAACCCT community college grantees who have been able to sustain innovations through a variety of creative approaches. Three types of grant-funded innovations will be discussed:
	 Strategies to accelerate credential attainment; Strategies to support program completion; and Strategies to engage employers and align programs with labor market need.

The audience will have ample opportunity to ask questions and reflect on how they might apply lessons to their own projects.

This webinar is part of a webinar series showcasing strategies and resources developed by community colleges that are of broad interest to educational institutions engaged in career-focused education and training. Topics of upcoming webinars will include affordable learning solutions and free resources for apprenticeship and work-based learning; previous topics (available as recordings) explored making industry experts into expert instructors to increase student success, scaling career pathways in Wisconsin, and resources for developmental education using competency-based education. For more information, please visit: Innovations Leading to Career Success Webinar Series.

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