DEPARTMENT OF CAREER SERVICES

Workforce Issuance

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To: Chief Elected Officials
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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: March 4, 2021

Subject: **COVID-19 Dislocated Worker Grant Lessons Learned From Implementation – WorkforceGPS Webinar**

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Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other local workforce partners of the WorkforceGPS webinar: <u>COVID-19 Dislocated Worker Grant Lessons Learned From Implementation</u>. The webinar is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24th from 2:00 – 3:30.

Background: The COVID-19 DWGs are a pivotal part of Employment and Training Administration (ETA's) contribution to supporting economic recovery for job seekers and businesses adversely impacted by the pandemic. This webinar is part of a series of technical assistance efforts to support implementation of the COVID-19 DWGs, a vital recovery tool to provide support to communities in crisis. Please join for a conversation on where we are today and the challenges many faced in operationalizing the grants. The webinar will focus on the success of three COVID-19 DWG grantees to understand what's working and why in an effort to offer solutions to other COVID-19 grantees. Hear about challenges grantees faced and what solutions were implemented to resolve the challenges.

WorkforceGPS is an online technical assistance website created to help build the capacity of America's public workforce investment system. Sponsored by the Employment and Training Administration of the U.S. Department of Labor, WorkforceGPS was developed specifically for workforce professionals, educators, and business leaders. WorkforceGPS is free but does require account registration.

Action Requested: Please share this issuance with all appropriate managers, staff and partners.

Effective: Immediately