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To: Chief Elected Officials
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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Interim Director
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Date: July 5, 2022

Subject: **Connecting with Local Youth Workforce Systems-Stories from the Field - WorkforceGPS Webinar**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other workforce partners of an upcoming WorkforceGPS webinar – Connecting with Local Youth Workforce Systems-Stories from the Field – on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 from 2:00 – 3:30.

Background: The public workforce system has several components that work together to provide a holistic suite of services to job seekers, those seeking training, and employers. This session will feature a panel of experts offering examples and tips from the field related to the public workforce system for youth and youth adults. It will include brief overviews of local boards, American Job Centers, and youth service providers, then feature discussion among panelists with expertise on the ground in these areas.

Attendees will learn what these public workforce entities do, how they operate,

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and how to connect with them. They will hear real stories and examples of the challenges and solutions for building strong connections to the public workforce system.

The public workforce system includes many components, and you are encouraged to get familiar by checking out these existing resources:

- [WIOA Workforce Development Boards Fact Sheet](#) provides a brief overview of the key roles and responsibilities of state and local workforce development boards.
- [American Job Center Fact Sheet](#) provides a brief overview of the services, resources, and partners associated with these one-stop centers.
- [Youth Program Reference Tool](#) is designed for workforce professionals and youth service providers, and offers a deeper dive on how the youth workforce system is structured and governed, and examples for local practitioners and service providers to plan effective comprehensive services for youth and related staff.

Send questions to youth.services@dol.gov and DOL will try to incorporate answers to questions in the discussion.

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Action

Requested: Please share with all managers, staff and partners as appropriate.

Effective: Immediately.