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cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director
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Date: November 8, 2024

Subject: **Apprenticeship Opportunities for Individuals Reentering Their Communities Post-Incarceration – WorkforceGPS Webinar**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and other workforce partners of an upcoming WorkforceGPS webinar: [Apprenticeship Opportunities for Individuals Reentering Their Communities Post-Incarceration](#), Thursday, November 21st, 1:00 – 2:00.

Background: This webinar provides the reentry community with a comprehensive overview of apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship opportunities tailored for individuals reentering their communities post-incarceration. Experts will share insights into innovative programs and strategic partnerships that enhance skill development and career readiness, empowering participants to secure stable and sustainable employment.

This informative session is designed to equip reentry service providers with strategies for integrating apprenticeships into their program offerings and will spotlight:

An equal opportunity employer/program.

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- **Correctional Facility-Based Registered Apprenticeships:** An exploration of apprenticeship programs offered within correctional facilities, including current implementations, successes, and challenges.
- **Pre-Apprenticeship Programs:** Examples of successful pre-apprenticeship programs that prepare returning citizens for full apprenticeships, highlighting the skills and competencies these programs develop.
- **Seamless Transition Strategies:** Best practices for ensuring a smooth transition from pre-apprenticeship to full apprenticeship programs, addressing common barriers and solutions.

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Action

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

Effective: Immediately.