

Workforce Issuance

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To: MassHire Workforce Board Chairs

MassHire Workforce Board Directors MassHire Career Center Directors

MassHire Fiscal Officers
MDCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Beth Goguen, Director

MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: August 6, 2025

Subject: State Wage Interchange System (SWIS) Employment Flag Agreement

Purpose: To notify Local MassHire Workforce Boards of the requirement to sign the

attached SWIS Employment Flag Agreement and submit it to MassHire Department of Career Services (MDCS) by COB Friday, **August 29, 2025**.

MDCS is required to adhere to the SWIS agreement between the states for usage

regarding the Employment Flag.

Background: Each quarter, MDCS generates the federal PIRL (Participant Individual Record

Layout) report which relies on UI (Unemployment Insurance) wage data for performance outcomes. MDCS receives Massachusetts UI wage data from DUA

(Department of Unemployment Assistance) for participants working in

Massachusetts and receives UI wage data for participants working in other states

from the State Wage Interchange System (SWIS).

The agreement allows the use of the Employment Flag (Yes/No) generated by the wage data for each exiter from our system. The *Employment Flag* is a Yes/No indicator of whether an exiter was employed in any of the four quarters after their exit from the system. The *Employment Flag* will be displayed in the *Performance Review Tool Report*, an ad hoc Crystal report that allows staff to review quarterly performance outcomes. To ensure access to this report, the agreement must be signed by each Local Workforce Board and submitted to MDCS by COB Friday **August 29, 2025**.

The *Performance Review Tool Report* will be available in the Crystal Reports page at https://www.mass.gov/info-details/wioa.

In addition, MDCS is updating the MOSES data integrity and confidentiality agreement that each MOSES user signs, to include the acknowledgment of the Employment Flag agreement.

Action

Required: Complete the highlighted sections in the attachment and submit the attached

SWIS Employment Flag Agreement with signature to MDCS by COB Friday August

29, 2025. Submit to Lisa Caissie (lisa.j.caissie@mass.gov).

Effective: Immediately

Inquiries: Please direct all inquiries to Lisa Caissie (<u>lisa.j.caissie@mass.gov</u>).

Attachment: SWIS Employment Flag Agreement