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To: Chief Elected Officials

Workforce Development Board Chairs Workforce Development Board Directors

Title I Administrators Career Center Directors Title I Fiscal Officers DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director

Department of Career Services

Date: June 26, 2018

Subject: U.S. Department of Labor Announces Apprenticeship.gov

Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Development Boards, One-Stop Career Center

Operators and other local workforce partners of USDOLs announcement related to Apprenticesip.gov, an informational tool for the apprenticeship community and

job seekers and employers interested in Apprenticeship opportunities.

Background: President Trump issued an Executive Order Expanding Apprenticeships in

America in June of 2017 for the purpose of "expanding apprenticeships and reforming education and workforce development programs, enabling more Americans to obtain relevant skills and high-paying jobs". On the anniversary of the EO, USDOL announced the launch of Apprenticeship.gov, developed in response to the Task Force on Apprenticeship Expansion's recommendation to "compile apprenticeship information in a single, online, centralized website."

At present, the EO and Apprenticeship Task Force information can be accessed through the site. By Fall 2018, the website will evolve into a robust one-stop platform to connect job seekers, job creators, training providers, parents, teachers, and federal and local workforce agencies with information and resources to learn more about apprenticeships, how to establish apprenticeship program, and how to access open apprenticeship opportunities.

Action

Required: Please share with staff and partners as appropriate.

Effective: Immediately