

## MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT JOINT PARTNER COMMUNICATION

## WIOA Joint Partner Communication 01.2021

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**To:** Chief Elected Officials

MassHire Workforce Board Chairs MassHire Workforce Board Directors

WIOA Title I Administrators

MassHire Career Center Directors

MassHire Fiscal Officers
MDCS Operations Managers
Adult Education Providers

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Offices and Providers

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind Offices and Providers Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Providers

Dept. of Transitional Assistance Offices and providers of SNAP and TANF services

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Richard Jeffers, Director

Department of Unemployment Assistance

Toni Wolf, Commissioner

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission

David D'Arcangelo, Commissioner

Massachusetts Commission for the Blind

Wyvonne Stevens-Carter, State Adult Education Director

Dept of Elementary and Secondary Ed, Adult and Community Learning Services

Olga Yulikova, Senior Community Service Employment Manager

Executive Office of Elder Affairs Amy Kershaw, Commissioner

Department of Transitional Assistance

Date: December 3, 2021

Subject: MassSTEP November Quarterly Newsletter

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators, and

other local workforce partners of the Massachusetts Skills Training Employment

Program (MassSTEP) November Quarterly Newsletter.

**Background:** MassSTEP, the new brand created to unify the state's network of former

Integrated Education and Training (IET) and Integrated English Literacy and Civics Education (IELCE) programs, envisions a statewide network of pathways that prepare adult learners for promising careers with dynamic Massachusetts

businesses.

MassSTEP leverages collaborations among education, job training, and employers to build innovative concurrent education and workforce development opportunities for adult learners. MassSTEP partners work together to create a stronger and more equitable workforce development system for the

Commonwealth.

Attached is the first MassSTEP Newsletter sharing highlights of this work from across the state. The newsletter will be distributed quarterly, to provide information about the education and training opportunities that exist for

interested students.

Action

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

**Attachment:** MassSTEP November Quarterly Newsletter