



# Workforce Issuance

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**To:** Chief Elected Officials  
MassHire Workforce Board Chairs  
MassHire Workforce Board Directors  
MassHire Career Center Directors  
MassHire Fiscal Officers  
MDCS Operations Managers

**Cc:** WIOA State Partners

**From:** Alice Sweeney, Director  
MassHire Department of Career Services

**Date:** July 22, 2021

**Subject:** **TAA Reversion 2021 - New Petition Forms for the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program**

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**Purpose:** To provide updated policy guidance to MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators and Local workforce partners for the implementation of a new Petition form for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Workers and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) Certification. This change is a result of the sunset provisions of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reauthorization Act of 2015. This form must be used to file petitions on or after July 1, 2021.

**Background:** The Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) program provides benefits and support to U.S. workers who become unemployed due to the impact of international trade. Enactment of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reauthorization Act of 2015. With the implementation of the sunset provisions, the U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL) has notified the MassHire Department of Career Services that new Petition forms for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) must be used starting July 1, 2021.

**Policy:** The new Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Workers and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) form ETA-9042 (revised 7/2021) must be used to file petitions for TAA Certification. All completed and signed petition forms will be submitted to the MassHire Department of

Career Services (MDCS) Trade Unit for review. Completed petition forms may be submitted to the MDCS Trade Unit by E-mail only:

[Tradeprograms@detma.org](mailto:Tradeprograms@detma.org)

MDCS will ensure the forms are complete and will forward the petitions to USDOL to meet all filing requirements.

**NOTE:** Petitioners should be instructed to provide as much detailed information as possible in completing each section of the petition form. Complete and detailed information will allow USDOL investigators to make a determination for TAA services and benefits in a more timely manner.

New petition forms may be downloaded for completion from the website:

<https://www.dol.gov/sites/dolgov/files/ETA/tradeact/pdfs/petition.pdf>

**Action**

**Required:** Please assure that all appropriate staff are informed of the content of this issuance. Please discard all supplies of outdated TAA/R-ATAA petition forms.

**Effective:** July 1, 2021

**Inquiries:** Questions related to this policy should be directed to [PolicyQA@detma.org](mailto:PolicyQA@detma.org). Please reference the correct WIOA Communication issuance number with the inquiry.

**Attachments:** Petition for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) for Workers and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA) form ETA-9042 (revised July 2021)