



Workforce Issuance

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Policy Information

To: MassHire Workforce Board Chairs
MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
MDCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Diane Hurley, Acting Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Katie Dishnica, Director
Department of Unemployment Assistance

Date: January 28, 2024

Subject: RESEA FY23 Additional Funds

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators and other workforce investment partners of to notify Local Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators and other local workforce partners of FY23 additional funding for the RESEA Program. These funds will be added to FY2023 RESEA Grant allocations.

Background: In October 2023, MA was provided the opportunity to request additional FY23 funds. MA received \$2,642,118 of which 80% (\$2,100,750.00) is being allocated to MassHire Career Centers for additional capacity building based on the allocation described below.

RESEA funding is intended for covering staffing costs for career counselors providing RESEA specific, as well as reemployment services for RESEA enrollees (i.e. assessment testing; skills transferability analysis; peer counselors;

development and provision of labor market information). This list is not intended to be all inclusive.

Local areas are expected to expend these funds effectively and they are to be used, not as an offset to any funds the local workforce system receives under WIOA or any other program, but in addition to.

Policy: MDCS is issuing these funds for additional staffing support and associated infrastructure for all MassHire Career Centers providing RESEA services. Additional dedicated funding is also being issued to help support a Job Fair with priority given to RESEA customers specifically. This activity is expected to be completed by June 30, 2024.

These FY23 RESEA funds have been designated by the Commonwealth for utilization from January 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024, for those individuals enrolled in RESEA. The funds are being made available through a modification of each area's annual contract with the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (EOLWD). Required expenditure reporting will continue to be submitted on the quarterly Fiscal Status Report (FSR) with the WIOA FSR.

Action

Required: Please assure that all appropriate staff persons are knowledgeable of the content of this Policy Issuance and that they carry out related RESEA activity in a compliant manner.

Effective: Immediately.

Inquiries: Please direct all inquiries to Beth Goguen at Elizabeth.m.goguen@mass.gov. Also, indicate Issuance number and description.

Attachment: RESEA FY23 Allocations with Performance and Additional Funding