

Massachusetts Workforce Investment Board
WIOA Steering Committee
Job Seeker & Employer Subcommittee

Performance Measurements Workgroup
December 14, 2015
Meeting Notes

Members in Attendance: Marilyn Boyle – DCS (Co-Lead), Yashira Pepin – EOLWD (Co-Lead), Les Abramowitz – DCS (phone), Dave Bassett – EDIC (phone), Matt Burke – DCS., Mike Doak – ETR (phone), Patricia Hart – MCB (phone), Rena Kottcamp – DUA (part), Toby Maguire – ACLS (phone), Joe Mello – DCS Rapid Response (phone), Brian Newquist – ACLS (phone), William Noone – MRC (phone), John Oliveira – MCB (phone), Graham Porell – MRC (phone), Cheryl Ransom – ACLS, Kimberly Rowe-Cummings – DTA (phone), Jeff Turgeon – Central MA Workforce Board (phone)

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

Update on WIOA Implementation

Marilyn and Yashira provided feedback from the presentation to the Governor on December 8. Overall, the Governor was in accord with the plans and direction of WIOA implementation and endorsed the collaborative work of all the partner agencies. No specific comments were made on the performance measures, but the Governor did solicit input about the level of effort and IT resources needed to fully implement participant career pathways tracking and longitudinal reporting. The Governor's staff will be reviewing the State plan over the next couple of weeks and we can expect questions and requests for additional input.

Appointment of members to the new Massachusetts Workforce Development Board is proceeding and the Board is expected to meet in January to consider WIOA implementation processes and policies and State Plan components that require their approval.

Federal Reporting

Les Abramowitz led a discussion on the readiness of partners to comply with Federal reporting requirements and due dates. Even though final regulations and reporting requirements have not yet been issued, each agency's Federal administrators are providing draft revised reporting formats and instructions that conform to the new draft federal guidelines. Partner staff are assessing the impact of the mandated changes to IT systems and data collection as the information becomes available and are initiating changes where possible. It appears that each agency will submit revised federal reports that will contain the data elements required in the PIRL (the common report submitted by each partner), from which the quarterly PIRL could be produced. This work has a broad impact on partner staff and financial resources, and will require significant systems changes, additional data collection, and training for all operational staff. The Workgroup will continue to monitor efforts of each partner to meet federal reporting requirements and timelines.

Proposed State Performance Metrics

Marilyn and Yashira summarized the discussion that occurred at the December 3 meeting on proposed State performance measures. Marilyn will send out the discussion summary for review and comment by the workgroup with input requested back by COB on Friday, December 18. Yashira and Marilyn will compile the results for the December 28 meeting. Yashira and Marilyn will be convening interested

parties to identify State measures related to business engagement, drawing from the other WIOA workgroups.

Status on Benchmark Data

MRC – data exchange completed

MCB – data exchange in process

ACLS – MOU being finalized

NEXT MEETING:

Date: Monday, December 28, 2015

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Charles F Hurley Building, 1st Floor Cambridge Conference Room

Address: 19 Staniford Street, Boston, MA