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

Performance Measurements Workgroup June 15, 2015 Meeting Notes

Members in Attendance: Marilyn Boyle – DCS (Lead), Les Abramowitz - DCS (phone), Patricia Hart – MCB (phone), Rena Kottcamp - DUA, Joseph Mello - DCS, Brian Newquist -ACLS, William Noone - MRC, Yashira Pepin - EOLWD, Graham Porell – MRC, Kimberly Rowe-Cummings - DTA, Steven Sullivan – MCCEO Community Colleges

DISCUSSION TOPIC: WAGE MATCHING FOR FEDERAL REPORTING

The meeting began with introductions. The focus of the meeting was an initial assessment of the wage record data needs of partner agencies: DCS, MRC, ACLS, MCB, and DTA.

The note taker was Marilyn Boyle.

Each agency discussed how they obtain and use wage data in their current federal reporting.

Rena Kottcamp presented an overview of current MA wage record data that are collected by the Department of Unemployment Assistance in conjunction with the MA Department of Revenue. She touched upon limitations in providing this data due to federal and state regulations.

The group discussed the availability of SSN for each agency's participants and the limitations imposed by the lack of SSN. Wage record data is matched on SSN.

The group was in agreement that WIOA federal report requirements are likely to require individual participant record data, similar to that provided now by DCS for Wagner-Peyser, WIA Title I, and Trade.

NEXT STEPS:

The group will develop a chart that displays the current status of federal reporting of partner agencies focusing on wage record data and participant level data. Marilyn will work up a draft as a start.

Marilyn will begin inquiries into establishing ISAs with partner agencies in anticipation of providing wage record data summaries to allow partner agencies to develop goals as required for the WIOA State Plan.

NEXT MEETING

A follow-up meeting on this topic will be scheduled as needed.