

Mass Workforce Issuance

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Policy Information

To: Chief Elected Officials
Workforce Investment Board Chairs
Workforce Investment Board Directors
Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Regional Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Michael Taylor, Director
Department of Workforce Development

Date: July 24, 2009

Subject: **Notice of ARRA Related Grant Solicitation For Health Care and Other High Growth / Emerging Industry Sectors**

Purpose: To provide notification to Local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other local workforce investment partners of the availability of a grant solicitation opportunity related to the Health Care and other high growth / emerging industry sectors.

Background: On July 22, 2009 The U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (ETA) published notice of a grant solicitation related to the Health Care and other high growth / emerging industry sectors in the Federal Register.

Approximately \$220 million in ARRA funding is being made available to fund 45-65 grants ranging from \$2 million - \$5 million. Grants will be funded for a period of up to 36 months.

Grants awarded under this solicitation will fund projects that provide workers with training to prepare them to enter and advance within the health care field or in other high growth/ emerging industries. Approximately \$125 million will be specifically reserved for health care related grants.

Approximately \$25 million of the total will be reserved for projects serving communities impacted by automotive-related restructuring.

ETA is particularly interested in Health Care grant projects that focus on:

- Nursing,
- Allied Health,
- Long-term Care, and/or
- Health Information Technology

Eligible applicants must be legal entities and include: Workforce Investment Boards and their One-Stop systems; Tribal organizations; education and training providers, labor organizations, health care providers, and faith-based and community organizations.

To be eligible, applicants must demonstrate that the proposed project includes the following required partners:

- The public workforce investment system;
- Public and private employers, such as health care providers, when appropriate and industry-related organizations; and
- The education and training community.

All applications are due no later than 4:00 pm, October 5, 2009.

A pre-recorded Webinar is scheduled for August 12th at 3:00 pm (Eastern Time).

To register for the Webinar go to: <http://www.workforce3one.org>

For full application details, click on the following link:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/pdf/E9-17416.pdf>

Required: Please review the grant solicitation notice for application details and assure that all appropriate staff and local entities are apprised of the availability of the described grant opportunities.

Inquiries: Consult the grant solicitation notice for contact information.