MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

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

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
               Department of Career Services

Date: December 18, 2015

Subject: **Peer to Peer Technical Assistance and Training Project**

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Purpose: To notify Local Workforce Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators and other
               local workforce partners that the Department of Labor, Employment and Training
               Administration (ETA), Region 1 has chosen to recognize Massachusetts as a
               leader in Workforce Development and has awarded grant funds to develop and
               launch the Peer to Peer Technical Assistance and Training (TAT) Project.

Background: The Peer to Peer/TAT Project (P2P/TAT) is designed to showcase excellent
               Massachusetts Workforce Development programs, projects and best practices via
               a national website where other states can review and request training and
               technical assistance directly from the Massachusetts Workforce Development
               system and its partners. Programs such as the MassBiz Works Project; the
               RESEA Program; the Multicultural Services LEP Program; OJT and Re-entry
               Projects in Hampden County and various recruitment projects such as those
               conducted in Fall River (Plainville Casino) and New Bedford (Titleist Co.) are
               examples of some of the outstanding service delivery practices within
               Massachusetts workforce system.

               The project will offer specific training/technical assistance to other states and may
               be delivered in a variety of ways including, but not limited to, in-person
               classroom training; video conferencing; conference calls; videos; materials

(handbooks/manuals), etc. P2P/TAT will provide funds for travel, materials and other program costs.

If interested in submitting and participating in this exciting endeavor please complete the attached form and return to Rosemary Alexander at ralexander@detma.org to assist with coordinating this effort. Submissions will be accepted until close of business **January 15th, 2016.**

Participation is encouraged to take part in this exciting opportunity to share talents and expertise with Workforce Development colleagues across the country.

**Action
Required:**   Please disseminate this information as appropriate.

Inquiries: Questions regarding the P2P/TAT Project should be directed to Rosemary Alexander, ralexander@detma.org.

Attachment: A. Peer to Peer Technical Assistance and Training Template