Massachusetts On-the-Job Training (OJT) OJT Contract

OJT Contract Number:
Contract Period:
Contract Date:
Contract Amount:
Funding Source:
☐ JD NEG ☐RR ☐Other:
WIA DW WIA Adult DWT NEG

Trainee Name: _____

SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

PRIMARY OPERATOR/FISCAL AGENT

Primary Operator/Fiscal Agent: Regional Employment Board of Hampden County, Inc.	Contact Person: Melissa Scibelli	E-mail: mscibelli@rebhc.org
Address: 1441 Main Street, Springfield, MA 01103	Telephone: 413-755-1360	Fax: 413-755-1364

CAREER CENTER

Career Center Name:	OJT Contact Person/SPoC*:	E-mail:
Address:	Telephone:	Fax:

EMPLOYER/BUSINESS

Employer's Legal Business Name:						
Alternative Business Name(s) (including DBAs):						
Employer ID ¹ :	Training	Provider ID ² :		FEIN ³ :		
DUA No. ⁴ : DUNS No. ⁵ :			lo. ⁵ :			
Business Address:						
OJT facility location (If dif	ferent than	above):				
Employer OJT Contact Per	son:		Title:			
Contact Telephone:		E-mail: Fax:			κ:	
Type of Business*:	blic 🗌 I	Private: 🗌 not-for-pro	ofit 🔲 sole pr	oprietorship Par	tnership 🗌 Co	rporation
Business Description/Main	Product:					
Employer NAICS Code ⁶ :# of Employees on OJT Site:# Years in business:					business:	
Workers' compensation con	mpany:	Workers' compensation account #: Workers' compensation effective dates:			1	
Does the company have any of the following (if so, please attach copies to this contract):						

¹ MOSES Employer Identification

² MOSES Training Provider Identification

³ Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)

⁴ Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA)

⁵ Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) provides a "data universal number system" (DUNS) which is a unique nine-digit identification number for each business. The federal

government requires organizations to provide a DUNS number as part of their grant applications and proposals. It is not required for OJT in Massachusetts.

⁶ North American Industry Classification Systems (NAICS)

EEO/Affirmative Action Plan		Written Grievance Procedures		Personnel Policies & Procedures
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SECTION 2: ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAM

TRAINEE INFORMATION

Trainee Name:	MOSES ID#:	Telephone:			
Statement of need for On-the-Job Training:					
How will the On-the-job training benefit the Trainee?:					

OJT POSITION INFORMATION

OJT Job Title:						
OJT Job Description:						
OJT Beginning Date: OJT End Date:						
OJT Work Schedule (day	vs/times):		Hours/week:			
O*NET SOC # ⁷ :		O*NET Job Zon	e:	SVP Le	vel ⁸ :	
Labor Market Outlook:						
OJT Funding Source:						
Hourly Wage Rate:	Reimbur	sement Rate:	Total Training		Max Reimbursement:	
\$	%		Hours:(1040 maximum*)	0 hours	\$	
Trainee Pay Schedule: Weekly Bi-Weekly Monthly Other (Specify):						
Pay Day: Period Pay Covers:						
Training Supervisor:		E-mail:		Phone		

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Benefit Provided	Type of Benefit	% Covered by Employer	When Available to Employee
	Medical Insurance		
	Life Insurance		
	Paid Holidays		
	Sick Pay		
	Paid Vacation		
	Retirement Benefits		
	Other (specify):		

⁷ Standard Occupational Classification (SOC). See O*NET for more information: http://online.onetcenter.org

⁸ Specific Vocational Preparation (SVP). O*NET: http://online.onetcenter.org

^{*}Denotes requirement for JD NEG Project

OJT Training Phase One = 1^{st} half of OJT OJT Training Phase Two = 2^{nd} half of OJT OJT Training Phases should be equal in length

OJT TRAINING PLAN OUTLINE						
PHASE ONE DATES		PHASE TWO DATES:				
SKILLS TO BE LEARNED (skills may be learned concurrently)	PHASE NO. (Phase I or Phase II)	ME instr shac prac	TRUCTION THOD (e.g. ruction, dowing, ctice, reading nuals, etc.)	ESTIMATED TRAINING HOURS	PROGRESS EVALUATION METHOD OD = Observable Demonstration PR = Product Review Q = Meets Performance Quota	
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- Add additional rows/sheets as necessary
- Attach full OJT Training Plan to this OJT Contract

SECTION 3: TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This On-the-Job Training (OJT) Contract is between the Regional Employment Board of Hampden County, Inc.herein after called the Primary Operator and [Enter Name of Employer], herein after called Employer. Both parties agree to the terms and conditions set forth within this contract. The contract term commences on [Enter OJT start date] and terminates on [Enter OJT end date].

CONTRACT PURPOSE

The purpose of this contract is to establish the general terms and conditions under which WIA participants ("the Trainee") shall receive On the Job Training, as that term is defined under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, from the Employer and to establish the reimbursement due to the Employer for the training period identified herein.

OJT DEFINITION

In accordance with the WIA section (101)(31), the term "on-the-job training" means training by an employer that is provided to a paid trainee while engaged in productive work. This training will:

- a) Provide knowledge or skills essential to the full and adequate performance of the job;
- b) Qualify for reimbursement to the employer of a percentage of the wage rate of the Trainee (see Section 2 above for wage reimbursement rate), for the extraordinary costs of providing the training and additional supervision related to the training; and
- c) Limit the OJT contract period of time for a trainee to become proficient in the occupation for which the training is being provided. In determining the length of the training, consideration should be given to the skill requirements of the occupation, the academic and occupational skill level of the trainee, the prior work experience of the trainee, and the individual employment plan, as appropriate.

TRAINING

- 1. The Employer agrees to employ the Trainee and develop a training plan for the OJT Trainee that includes competencies needed to be satisfactorily skilled in the OJT position.
- 2. The Employer agrees the OJT training period will be at least four weeks and not exceed 1040 hours.*
- 3. The Employer will not start any on-the-job training until an OJT Contract has been issued and signed by the Primary Operator. The Employer understands that OJT funds cannot be authorized after training-related work has begun.
- 4. The Employer attests that the Trainee is not presently employed by the Employer in the same or similar capacity as the OJT position, nor is the Trainee presently on a layoff status subject to recall by the Employer or other like status with the Employer.
- 5. If the OJT is provided to one of the Employer's current employees, the Employer verifies that the OJT will relate to the introduction of new technologies, introduction to new production or service procedures, or is an upgrade to a new job that requires additional skills, and that the OJT position will provide the OJT Trainee with additional wages, hours or benefits.
- 6. The Employer assures that the OJT Trainee has not been hired into or will remain working in any position when any other person is on layoff from the same or a substantially equivalent job within the same organizational unit or has been bumped and has recall rights to that position, nor if the OJT is created in a promotional line that infringes on opportunities of current employees.

- 7. The Employer agrees that wage and labor standards will be adhered to and to pay the OJT Trainee at the same rate, including increases, and benefits as trainees or employees who are situated in similar jobs with similar experience. Such rates shall be in accordance with applicable law, but no less than the rate specified in section 6(a)(1) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 or the applicable state or local minimum wage law, which ever is higher.
- 8. The Employer agrees to provide the OJT Trainee with the same workers' compensation, health insurance, unemployment insurance, retirement benefits, and other employer-provided benefits, as regular, non-OJT employees.
- 9. The Employer agrees to complete monthly progress reports, invoices, and other OJT-related paperwork in a timely fashion.
- 10. The Employer will provide a copy, if available, of its policies to the Trainee covering, in addition to benefits and grievance procedures, any specific rules or regulations by which the Trainee is expected to abide. If no Employer grievance policy is provided, the Primary Operator policy will apply.
- 11. The Employer sponsored level of training in existence prior to initiation of this project shall be continued and not be reduced in level of effort in any way as a result of this Contract except for reductions unrelated to the provisions or purposes of this Contract.
- 12. The Employer certifies that no member of the OJT Trainee's immediate family is engaged in an administrative capacity for the Employer, or will directly supervise the OJT Trainee. For the purpose of this contract, immediate family is defined as spouse, children, parents, grandparents, grandchildren, brothers, sisters or person bearing the same relationship to the OJT Trainee's spouse.
- 13. Employer assures the OJT training will not involve political activities.
- 14. Employer assures that the OJT Trainee will not be employed to carry out the construction, operation or maintenance of any part of a facility that is used or to be used for sectarian instruction or as a place for religious worship.
- 15. The Employer may not further subcontract the on-the-job training provided for under this Contract.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

- 1. Employer agrees that it possesses the necessary facilities, staff, and equipment to provide quality training.
- 2. Employer ensures that its buildings and surroundings pose no threat to the health, safety, or welfare of employees. Such buildings and surroundings, to the best knowledge of the Employer, also meet the standards set forth in the applicable rules and regulations of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), and other applicable state and local health and safety regulations.

FISCAL

- 1. Primary Operator shall reimburse Employer on a monthly basis in an amount not to exceed total reimbursement for extraordinary costs of training to be provided by the Employer to Trainee.
- 2. OJT Trainees shall be compensated by the Employer at the same rates, including periodic increases not related to individual performance, as similarly situated employees or trainees, but in no event less than the highest of: the minimum wage prescribed under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended; applicable State or local minimum wage laws; local WIA policy.
- 3. Primary Operator shall reimburse Employer based on actual training time. Primary Operator shall not reimburse for paid leave the OJT Trainee may take such as holidays, sick time, or personal time. The Employer, however, agrees to compensate the OJT Trainee for paid leaves at the same rates as similarly situated employees or trainees.
- 4. The Employer has given assurances that s/he will pay overtime for hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours per week. OJT will not reimburse for anything other than the base hourly wage rate for a standard work week up to 40 hours, less any shift differentials.

- 5. The Employer certifies that the company is financially solvent on the date of this contract, and the Employer's best projection is that it will remain financially able to meet contract obligations at the end of the training period, including OJT Trainee's retention.
- 6. The Employer agrees to maintain adequate time and attendance, payroll, and other records to support amounts reimbursed under the OJT contract.
- 7. The Employer shall, until expiration of 3 years after final payment under this Contract, maintain books, records, documents, and other evidence and accounting procedures and practices, sufficient to reflect properly all costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred in the performance of this Contract.

MONITORING

- 1. Employer agrees that records which are directly related to the OJT contract are subject to review, monitoring, and audit by the Primary Operator, the State and/or the federal government or their authorized agents/representatives, at any time and without prior notice to the employer.
- 2. The Employer's plants and other facilities, or such part thereof as may be engaged in the performance of this Contract, and all records pertinent thereto shall be subject, upon delivery of reasonable notice, to monitoring, inspection and audit by the Primary Operator, the Governor, Secretary of Labor, Inspector General, or Comptroller General, or their authorized representatives.
- 3. Employer agrees that such parties shall, until expiration of 3 years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, and records of the Employer involving transactions related to this Contract and the right to interview the Employer's personnel regarding such matters. All pertinent records shall be open to inspection and audit and subject to being copied either at the Employer's plants or such part thereof as may be engaged in the performance of this Contract or, shall be furnished to the Primary Operator or his/her authorized representative upon request

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

- 1. The Employer certifies that the OJT will not impair existing Contracts for services or collective bargaining Contracts and that either it has the concurrence of the appropriate labor organization as to the design and conduct of the OJT, or it has no collective bargaining Contract with a labor organization that covers the OJT position.
- 2. The Employer further assures that OJT funds will not be used to assist, promote or deter union organizing.

EMPLOYER ASSURANCES

- 1. The Employer shall provide worker's compensation coverage for the OJT Trainee.
- 2. The Employer must provide comprehensive general liability insurance protection to Trainee.
- 3. The Employer shall provide adequate insurance coverage to protect against legal liability arising out of OJT activity.
- 4. The Employer assures that it is not debarred or suspended in regard from receiving federal or state funding.
- 5. The Employer agrees to comply with the non-discrimination and equal opportunity provisions of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and its regulations?
- 6. The Employer assures that it has been issued a Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Massachusetts' Department of Revenue within 6 months of the OJT start date stated in this Contract.
- 7. The Employer assures that it is in compliance with the rules and regulations of (1) Unemployment Assistance, (2) Universal Health Insurance, and (3) Fair Share.

- 8. The Employer stipulates and agrees that the establishment in which on-the-job training will be given:
 - a. Has not been moved from any previous location less than 120 days prior to the effective date of this Contract;
 - b. Is not a branch, affiliate or subsidiary of a business entity in another locations which has, at any time subsequent to the date in (1) above, relocated or expanded so as to cause an increase in unemployment or the closing down of operations in which the entity conducts business operations.

POST-TRAINING EMPLOYMENT

- 1. Employer agrees that in good faith it intends to continue the employment of the trainee on a full-time basis upon successful completion of the OJT. Failure to do so without just cause and written notification to the Primary Operator may disallow Employer from engaging in future OJT contracts in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 2. Employer agrees that it will not require any Trainee, whose training costs are subsidized in whole or in part with on-the-job training program funds, to sign any non-competition Contract that would limit the future employment of the Trainee in respect to any period of time and/or geographic limit.

DISPUTES, MODIFICATIONS AND TERMINATIONS

- Any dispute arising under this Contract which alleges a violation of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) or its regulations shall be handled in accordance with the Primary Operator Grievance Procedure. The Employer agrees that no civil action alleging a violation of WIA of 1998 or its regulations shall be filed without first exhausting the administrative remedies described in the Primary Operator's Grievance Procedure, the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), as amended, and its regulations.
- 2. The foregoing provision does not prohibit either party from filing a civil action or other form of action or complaint for alleged non-WIA causes of action. The parties hereto may resolve non-WIA grievances by arbitration or some other form of dispute resolution process upon which they mutually agree. Certain WIA related grievances may also be resolved in this alternative manner in accordance with the provisions of the WIA regulations.
- 3. The Primary Operator reserves the right to institute an administrative modification to reduce in whole or in part the monies provided under this Contract should available monies become insufficient to continue contracted levels.
- 4. OJT contract is subject to modification or termination due to actions taken by the Federal, state, or local governments that result in a frustration of contract purpose. Such actions include, but are not limited to withdrawal of WIA funding by the United States Congress, or the failure by the United States Congress to reauthorize WIA program activities
- 5. Trainees will not be terminated without prior notice to the Trainee and reasonable opportunity for correction or improvement of performance including substandard or unsatisfactory progress or conduct. In the case of a Trainee termination, the Employer agrees to immediately contact the Primary Operator and the Career Center to alert them of this action.
- 6. Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this Contract shall constitute grounds for termination. This Contract may be terminated for non-performance by either the Primary Operator or the Employer following written notice to the other party. Such notice must be posted by certified mail, return receipt requested, and must specify and document the reason for termination.
- 7. The Primary Operator may, by written notice of default to the Employer, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract in any one of the following circumstances:
 - (1) If the Employer fails to perform the services specified herein; or

(2) If the Employer fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of 10 days (or such longer period as the Primary Operator may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the Primary Operator specifying such failure.

SECTION 5: SIGNATURES

I hereby agree to all the terms and conditions in this OJT Contract.

EMPLOYER SIGNATURE

Employer Signature:	Date:
Type/Print Name:	Title:

PRIMARY OPERATOR / FISCAL AGENT SIGNATURE

Signature:	Date:
Type/Print Name: Steve Trueman	Title: Vice President of Workforce Development Operations

SECTION 6: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING/UNION AGREEMENT

Complete this section if the employment and training is subject to a collective bargaining agreement.

Is this OJT position subject to a collective bargaining agreement?	□ YES □ NO		
If YES , attach a letter from a union official on official union letterhead indicating support for this OJT po and complete below:			
Union Affiliation:			
Bargaining Unit/Union Official Name:			