MASSACHUSETTS WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM

MassWorkforce Issuance

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To: Chief Elected Officials

Workforce Investment Board Chairs Workforce Investment Board Directors

Title I Administrators
Career Center Directors
Title I Fiscal Officers
DCS Operations Managers

cc: WIA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director

Department of Career Services

Date: August 21, 2014

Subject: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Implementation:

Webinars for Stakeholder Engagement

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Purpose: To notify local Workforce Investment Boards, One-Stop Career Center Operators

and other local workforce investment partners of Training and Employment Notice (TEN) 06-14, dated August 15, 2014 to announce a series of Webinars to

engage the public in implementation of the Workforce Innovation and

Opportunity Act, Public Law 113-128, (WIOA). Additionally, the Department has established a Resource Page that contains resource information on the Workforce Act, including implementation timelines and questions and answers.

Background: On July 22, 2014 WIOA was signed into law. The Act is designed to help job

seekers access employment, education, training, and support services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to

compete in the global economy.

The Department has scheduled 1 hour Webinars on specific topics. Input from state and local workforce leaders and practitioners, workforce system partners, customers, and other stakeholders, is critical to successful implementation of this new law. The Webinars provide an opportunity for DOL and the Department of Education to hear input. Topics include:

- Thursday, August 21 Strengthening the One Stop System
- Friday, August 22 Job-Driven Training for Adults and Dislocated Workers
- Monday, August 25 Integrated Performance Reporting and the ETPL
- Tuesday, August 26 Consultation with Consumers, Advocacy Groups, and Direct Service Providers on Services for Individuals with Disabilities
- Thursday, August 28 The Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker Program
- Tuesday, September 2 Services to Individuals with Disabilities
- Friday, September 5 Services to Disconnected Youth
- Thursday, September 11 Strategic Program Alignment and Unified Planning
- Friday, September 12 WIOA and Registered Apprenticeship
- Monday, September 15 The Indian and Native American Program

All Webinars begin at 2:00 eastern time and will follow a consistent format:

- o Welcome and Purpose
- o Brief Overview of the Act
- o Key Changes in the Law for the Topic Discussed
- o Discussion Questions
- o Conclusion

To register, please visit http://www.doleta.gov/WIOA.

Action

Required:

Please register and participate in appropriate Webinar(s) and share this information with other interested stakeholders.

Inquiries: Please direct questions to <u>DOL.WIOA@dol.gov</u>.