

Portal System Conversion

Illinois workNet® Beta Plan - October 2014

Goals of the New Site

- Connects all citizens to resources for achieving training and employment goals
- Easy to understand, use, and benefit from.
- Addresses key trends for web applications:
  - Highly interactive
  - Streamlined
  - Visual
  - Adaptive to range of devices from mobile to PCs.
  - Complementary app for android and iOS

Illinois workNet Portal System

The main site ensures there is "no wrong door" to access state programs, provides 24-7, no-cost access to career and workforce development resources, services and tools to all citizens of our state. It is built as a technology that is flexible to adapt to new programs and share data back and forth with the state's workforce development reporting system.

Current programs include:

- Accelerated Training for Illinois Manufacturing
  - North Central Region Manufacturing Site
- disabilityworks
- Illinois Pathways
- Job Driven NEG
- Summer and Community Youth Employment Program
- Work-based Learning for partners



Illinois workNet for Partners

Through Illinois workNet both WIA-funded and community partners can have accounts and use tools to facilitate and engage customers:

- Dashboard to view customer groups, assign and see assessments and program information.
- Add and manage information beneficial to community:
  - Company-specific Layoff Assistance Pages
  - Events
  - Featured Employers
  - News and Updates
  - Partner Page
  - Resources
  - Service Locations
  - Special Programs
  - Success Stories



Illinois workNet for Individuals and Employers

Individuals can setup a free account, access helpful career and job planning tools, apply for and participate with programs, and access tools and resources that are open without an account:

- My Dashboard
  - Employment 101 Guide and Certificate of Completion
  - Resume Builder
  - Career Interest Assessments
  - Bookmarks
  - Notes



Illinois workNet for Individuals and Employers Continued

- Resources and Tools Available without a login:
  - Explore Careers
  - Training & Credentials
  - Jobs
  - Featured Employers
  - Qualify for Jobs
  - Network & Connect
  - Layoff Assistance
  - Resources
  - Subscribe to News and Updates

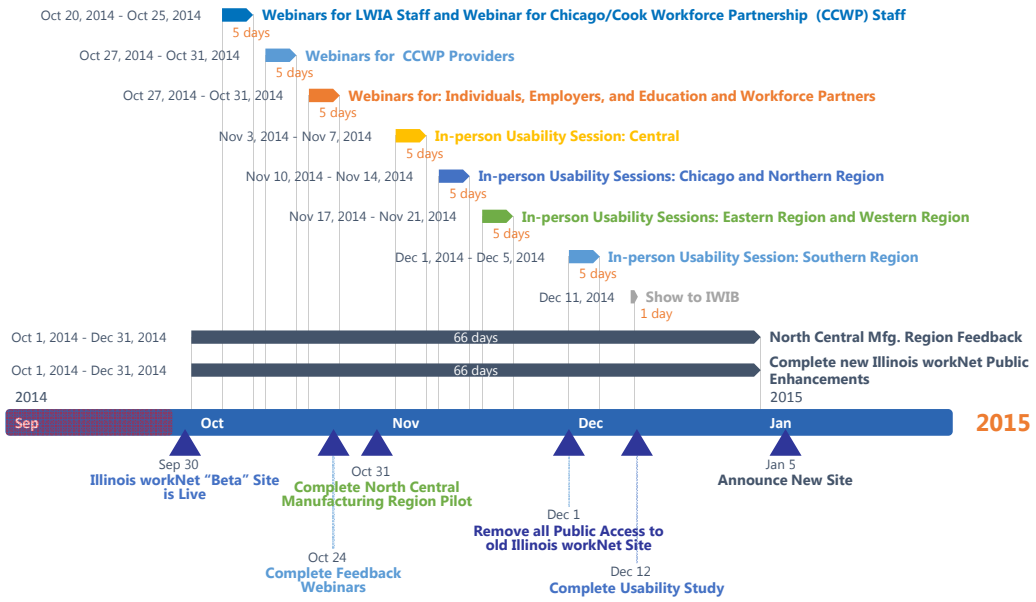


Beta Period and Plan

The process includes identifying the new Illinois workNet site as "BETA."

- Beta is linked from the new site header and footer to a page explaining the site conversion, process, general timeline, and means to stay informed and participate with feedback opportunities.
- Enhancements will be made based on feedback.
- If determined to be needed, additional feedback opportunities will be identified to occur in 2015.

Beta Period



Where LWIA/regional content is included

- Events Calendar
- Services locator
- Partner page (wireframe)
- Success Stories
- Resources
- Company-specific layoff pages
- News
- Special Programs

Explore Careers	Training & Credentials*	Jobs	Qualify for Jobs*	Network & Connect	Layoff Assistance	Resources
Skills & Interests Surveys	Training Programs	Employer Hiring Credits	Job Skills Guide	Event Calendar	Company Layoff Search	Employment 101
Careers, Wages & Trends	Adult Advancement Opportunities	Illinois workNet JobFinder	Digital Literacy	Illinois workNet Service Finder	Recovery Step Guide	disabilityworks
Planning Your Career	Apprenticeship Opportunities	Illinois JobLink	Prepare Your Resume	News & Updates	Layoff Reporting & Services	Veteran's Guide
Career Exploration Videos	Employer-Based Training Programs	Job Search Planning & Programs	Marketing Your Skills	Student & Trade Associations	Layoff Assistance Videos	Download & Print Materials
Career Exploration Resources	Credentials	Video Tips and Advice on Job Searching	Job Qualifications Videos	Success Stories	Layoff Assistance Resources	FAQ
	Planning for Training	Job Searching Resources	Job Qualifications Resources	Social Media Guide		Glossary
	Training & Financial Aid Videos			Networking for Success		Managing Your Work Success
	Training & Financial Aid			Networking Videos		Work Support Videos

Webinar Format

- Brisk Pace
- Gather Feedback
  - Review web page content and functions
    - Polling questions to get ratings
    - Open text for additional feedback

