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WIOA Regional Planning and Implementation Update

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Regional Planning Update:

- Illinois Workforce Vision
- Strategic Plan Elements
- Regional Planning Approach
- Upcoming Planning Activities





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Policy Academy Overview

Participants engaged in a consensus building process to agree on the following vision:

"Employer driven talent solutions that integrate education, workforce and economic development resources across systems to provide businesses, individuals, and communities with the opportunity to prosper and contribute to growing the state's economy."

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Principles to Guide Action

- Demand Driven Orientation
- Strong Partnerships with Business at All Levels
- Career Pathways to Today's and Tomorrow's Jobs
- Cross-agency Collaboration and Alignment
- Integrated Service Delivery
- Access and Opportunity for all Populations
- Clear Metrics for Progress and Success
- Focus on Continuous Improvement and Innovation

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Plan Strategic Elements

- Align and integrate education, workforce and economic development at the state and regional levels to improve the economic growth and competitiveness of Illinois employers and their workforce.
- Foster improvement and expansion of employer-driven regional sector partnerships to increase the focus on critical in-demand occupations in key sectors that are the engine of economic growth for the state and its regions.
- Expand career pathway opportunities through more accelerated and work-based training and aligned and integrated programs of study leading to industry-recognized credentials and improved employment and earnings



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Plan Strategic Elements

- Expand career services and opportunities for populations facing multiple barriers to close the gap in educational attainment and economic advancement through career pathways and improved career services.
- Expand information for employers and job-seekers to access services
- Improve the Illinois public-private data infrastructure to support the alignment and integration of economic development, workforce development and education initiatives for supporting sector partnerships and career pathways and targeted disadvantaged populations



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Regional Implementation Teams: Membership

- Workforce development entities
- Community colleges
- Economic development entities
- K-12 education, including secondary career and technical education partners
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Business representatives, especially those from likely targeted industry sectors
- Other stakeholders as determined by the region

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Regional Implementation Teams: Roles

- Participate in a self-assessment exercise designed to help determine each region's readiness to undertake regional planning
- Attend the Regional Meeting and Statewide Summit and be responsible for planning activities there and afterward
- Advocate for and lead the development of strategies, resource alignment among partners, and integrated services in each region

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Key Project Activities

- October 22 – Kick-Off Webinar
 - Core Partners
 - Provides a project overview
 - Introduces regional meetings
 - Outlines task leading up to December Regional Meetings
 - Orients Core Partners to make-up of regional teams
- November 3 – Regional Planning Overview Webinar
 - Provides all interested stakeholders with information on the regional planning process and how they can get involved



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Key Project Activities

- **December 9 - 11 – Regional Meetings**
 - **December 9 – Effingham – Effingham Performance Center**
 - Region 2 – LWIA 17 & LWIA 18
 - Region 7 – LWIA 23
 - Region 8 – LWIA 25 & LWIA 26
 - Region 9 – LWIA 22 & LWIA 24
 - **December 10 – Bloomington – TBD**
 - Region 1 – LWIA 19, LWIA 20 & LWIA 21
 - Region 3 – LWIA 15
 - Region 6 – LWIA 4 & LWIA 13
 - Region 10 – LWIA 14
- **December 11 – Chicago – Moraine Valley College**
 - Region 4 – LWIA 1, LWIA 2, LWIA 5, LWIA 6, LWIA 7, LWIA 10 & LWIA 11
 - Region 5 – LWIA 3
- **Late January - Statewide Summit - TBD**



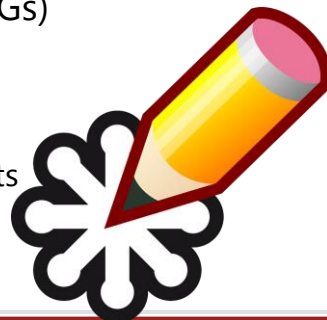
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Implementation Activities

- WIOA Implementation Activities
 - Interagency Team
 - Task Advisory Groups (TAGs)
 - Illinois Works Together
 - December Joint Training
 - MOU & Infrastructure Costs





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Interagency Team Activities

- Approved Monthly Communication
 - Illinois Works Together
- Facilitated a Policy Academy
- Started developing guidelines and processes – four primary tasks
 - Adopting a framework for sharing local infrastructure and local workforce system costs
 - Drafting guidelines to state agencies and local areas related to negotiation of local MOUS
 - Developing criteria and processes for certification and local comprehensive one-stop centers






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Task Advisory Groups Feedback

- Comprehensive One-Stop Locations & Services
 - Determination to Grandfather existing locations for two years
 - Career service provision
- Service delivery using technology
 - Requirements for meeting direct linkage definition
- Sharing of one-stop infrastructure costs and local system costs
 - Standard budget outline consistent with guidelines issued by the Governor
- Negotiation of MOU
 - Establish a 90-day negotiation period followed by a 45-day remediation period
 - Technical assistance during remediation





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Upcoming WIOA Wednesday Webinars

- 10/21
 - (Tentative) Adult Education WIOA implementation update from the Illinois Community College Board
- 10/28
 - Wagner-Peyser WIOA implementation update from the Department of Employment Security
- 11/4 –
 - Perkins Career and Technical Education WIOA implementation update from the Illinois Community College Board
- 11/11 – Veterans' Day = no webinar
- 11/18
 - National Farmworker Jobs Program WIOA implementation update from the Illinois Migrants Council
- December – Service Integration & Services

