



Illinois Workforce Innovation Board

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Action Items on WIOA Implementation

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Background Information:

Illinois has been working on the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) since its passage into law by President Obama on July 22, 2015. The IWIB and its membership, specifically those on the WIOA Implementation Task Force, have led many of the initiatives and efforts that have surrounded the implementation plan. These have included regional planning meetings, an Interagency Work Group, seven Task Advisory Groups (TAGs) with involvement from the WIOA core partners, local-level partners, contractors, and other one-stop delivery system representatives.

Parts of those discussions have addressed the negotiations of the governor's guidelines for negotiating local memoranda of understandings (MOUs) and infrastructure costs. Also, draft criteria and procedures for certifying comprehensive one-stop centers have been developed with feedback from Interagency Work Group, TAGs and the Illinois Workforce Partnership (IWP).

Illinois' regional planning process will support the drafting of the required Unified State Plan, which the board is required to approve. This plan will include strategic, operational, and programmatic requirement, as well as economic and labor market data, strategic visions and goals, and programmatic information for the four core programs, including program alignment.

The IWIB and WIOA Implementation Task Force, as well as all of the partners and their staffs should be commended on the successful efforts in this process. The remaining efforts needed for full compliance with the WIOA implementation will be better served to be handled by the IWIB Executive Committee going forward.

Action Required

Action Item on Retirement of WIOA Implementation Task Force

The Illinois Workforce Innovation Board acknowledges the steps planned and taken towards WIOA implementation and affirms the retirement of the WIOA Implementation Task Force.

Action Item on Executive Committee and WIOA Implementation

The Illinois Workforce Innovation Board acknowledges the steps planned and taken towards WIOA implementation and affirms that all activities remaining related to the implementation plan for Illinois should be managed by the IWIB Executive Committee going forward.