

Wednesday Webinars

Supplemental Guidance for PY17

Follow-up to Governor's Guidelines – Revision 2

March 8, 2017



Overview of Today's Webinar

- 1. Background
- 2. Supplemental Guidance
- 3. Additional resources

Plenty of time for questions of clarification

Background

Training and Employment Guidance Letters (TEGLs) Issued January 18, 2017

- TEGL 15-16 Competitive Selection of One-Stop Operators https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=8116.
- TEGL 16-16 One-Stop Operations Guidance for the American Job Center Network https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr doc.cfm?DOCN=8772.
- TEGL 17-16 Infrastructure Funding of the One-Stop Delivery System https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr doc.cfm?docn=4968.

Background (continued)

The TEGLS have short- and long-term implications for how WIOA is implemented in Illinois.

- 1. States can opt to delay the effective date of infrastructure funding requirements until January 1, 2018 (6-month delay).
- 2. Two infrastructure funding mechanisms expanded to include affiliate and specialized service centers.
- 3. The one-stop center certification requirements also expanded to include affiliate sites.
- 4. Each partner's cost to provide applicable career services are described in the TEGL as a mandatory "additional cost" of local service delivery systems subject to local negotiations.

Background (continued)

WIOA Interagency Work Group is seeking clarification from U.S. DOL Region V regarding three primary concerns:

- 1. Infrastructure cost funding requirements
- 2. Affiliate and specialized centers
- 3. Career service budgeting requirements

➤ Operate under the current Governor's Guidelines – Revision 2 until further notice.

Supplemental Guidance for PY17 / SFY18

Two primary purposes of the Supplemental Guidance:

- 1. Clarify the impact of the TELGs for PY17 / SFY 18 starting July 1.
- 2. Identify potential future changes that may be forthcoming for PY18 based on additional clarification received from federal workforce partners.

1. The effective date of infrastructure funding requirements in Illinois remains **July 1, 2017**:

Justification: Decoupling the effective date of infrastructure funding requirements from the effective date of MOUs and annual cost sharing budgets adds unnecessary complexity and complications.

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2. Infrastructure funding requirements apply *only* to comprehensive one-stop centers in each local area for PY17.

Justification: Expanding infrastructure funding to affiliate centers requires significant policy changes for the definition, designation and service standards of affiliates. The definition of affiliate sites and specialized centers have historically been local area decisions. The Illinois Workforce Innovation Board (IWIB) is assessing such a statewide policy, but implementation of any expansion will not be ready by July 1, 2017.

Note that this approach could change for PY18 starting July 1, 2018.

3. The preferred cost allocation methodology in Illinois for each required partner's share of infrastructure costs and local service delivery system costs remains FTEs.

Justification: While the FTEs remain the preferred methodology, local areas still have flexibility to use alternative cost allocation methodologies as long as they comply with the "<u>Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards."</u>

Questions of Clarification

4. The cost of providing career services will not be added to annual budgets for PY17, but required partners must continue to define applicable career services and commit to pay for the cost of providing those services in comprehensive one-stop centers.

Justification: The costs to provide career services are borne by each required partner individually, not shared among required partners.

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 Cost sharing obligations of multiple Adult Education providers and Career & Technical Education colleges in a single LWIA: Each college/provider is expected to pay a portion of the total agreed-upon infrastructure and shared local system costs.

Justification: ICCB established that no Adult Education provider or Postsecondary/CTE community college has to provide services or funding in more than one comprehensive one-stop center in a local area.

While all required partners must sign the MOU, no separate signature on the "infrastructure funding agreement" is required for PY17.

Justification: The signature of required partners on the MOU is sufficient to indicate their agreement with the budget and costs to be shared.

This could change for annual budgets that take effect July 1, 2018.

Supplemental Guidance for PY17 (continued)

Technical changes to the Governor's Guidelines – Revision 2:

- 1. Anywhere the words "standard budget form" appear in the Governor's Guidelines Revision 2 should be read to mean "Infrastructure Funding Agreement."
- 2. A new footnote is added to Appendix Item 5, pages 64-66, Infrastructure Funding Requirements, to confirm that the **State Funding Mechanism only applies to** *required* **one-stop partners.** The State Funding Mechanism cannot be triggered by additional one-stop partners in a local area if they do not reach consensus on the infrastructure funding agreement.

The Supplemental Guidance to the Governor's Guidelines – Revision 2 was effective as of Monday, March 6, 2017.

➤ The Governor's Guidelines – Revision 2 or this Supplemental Guidance will be revised as needed once we receive additional federal guidance or clarification.

Questions of Clarification

Additional Resources

If you have questions about the supplemental guidance, your point of contact is the State Technical Assistance Team (STAT) leader in your region.

A current list of STAT leaders is maintained on the public page of the WIOA Implementation portal.

The WIOA Implementation Portal "Documents & Updates" page does not require a password.

➤ Past webinar recordings, regional planning materials, Final Rules, Governor's Guidelines, Comprehensive One-Stop Center materials, etc.



Thank you

