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**The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
(WIOA)
and its Impact on the
Eligible Training Provider List
(ETPL) in Arizona**

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Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Design

WIOA is designed to help jobseekers access employment, education, training, and supportive services to succeed in the labor market and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.



Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

- WIOA was signed into law on July 22, 2014, and goes into effect July 1, 2015
- The Act was passed by a wide, bi-partisan majority
- It is the first legislative reform of the public workforce system in 15 years
- WIOA supersedes the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and amends the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act, the Wagner-Peyser Act and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973



WIOA Implementation in Arizona

- WIOA Implementation Taskforces & Workgroups
- Local Workforce Development Areas Designation
- Local Workforce Board Certification
- Proposed Regulation comments due June 15, 2015
- WIOA Road Shows
- WIA policy updates



Eligible Training Provider List

The ETPL provisions of WIOA emphasize:

- Informed consumer choice;
- Job driven training;
- Provider performance;
- Continuous improvement; and
- Greater focus on in-demand sector strategies, career pathways and programs that result in recognized credentials.



ETPL Transitional Plan

The ETPL Transitional Plan includes:

- Advising eligible training providers of WIOA and the requirement that training providers submit performance data;
- Requesting performance data from training providers that have been on the ETPL for more than a year;
- Requesting a written plan for data collection from training providers who indicate that performance data is not available; and
- Removing providers and programs from the ETPL that are not responsive to phone calls and emails.



WIOA Training Provider Performance Accountability

- All training providers, except Registered Apprenticeships, will need to submit appropriate, timely and accurate performance data for initial and continued eligibility
- All programs listed on the ETPL will be reviewed for continued eligibility on a bi-annual basis
- ETPL Performance Reports are submitted annually to the US Department of Labor



Initial Eligibility of Providers

- Providers previously listed on the ETPL under WIA are not reviewed for initial eligibility
- Beginning December 31, 2015, new training providers' eligibility will be reviewed using WIOA initial eligibility requirements
- After December 31, 2015, all existing providers will need to be reviewed using WIOA continued eligibility criteria



Initial Eligibility Requirements

The following items are considered when reviewing initial eligibility applications:

- Program description;
- Information on the type of credential offered;
- Cost information, including tuition and fees;
- If the provider is in partnership with business; and
- Information defined by the state to determine if a program is high quality, including if the training program leads to recognized, postsecondary credential.



Initial Eligibility Requirements

A factor related to performance accountability is also required for initial eligibility:

- Unsubsidized Employment in the 2nd quarter after exit
- Unsubsidized Employment in the 4th quarter after exit
- Median earnings in the 2nd quarter
- Credentials attainment



Training Provider Continued Eligibility

Items considered in determining if training providers are to remain on the ETPL:

- Ensured access to rural areas through use of technology;
- Information from other State and Federal training programs;
- The degree to which a program is related to an in-demand industry sector or occupation;
- State licensure requirements;
- The ability of the provider to offer recognized, postsecondary credential;



Training Provider Continued Eligibility

- The quality of the program of training services, including a program that leads to recognized post-secondary credential;
- The ability of the provider to provide training services to individuals who are employed and individuals with barriers to employment;
- Whether the training provider timely and accurately submits ETP performance reports; and
- Other factors determined by the state to ensure the One-Stop centers meet the needs of jobseekers and employers and that participants are given an informed choice.



Training Program Continued Eligibility

Items considered in determining if training programs are to remain on the ETPL:

- Information on the postsecondary credential received by program participants;
- The cost of attendance, including tuition and fees, for program participants;
- The completion rate.



Training Program Continued Eligibility

The following performance data is also required for each program:

- Unsubsidized Employment in the 2nd quarter after exit
- Unsubsidized Employment in the 4th quarter after exit
- Median earnings in the 2nd quarter after exit
- Credentials attainment



ETP Performance Reports

Reports must include the total number of participants who received training services in Adult and Dislocated worker programs for the most recent year, and the three preceding years, including:

- The total number of participants under the Adult and Dislocated Worker program
 - disaggregated by barriers to employment;
 - disaggregated by race, ethnicity, sex and age
 - disaggregated by the type of training



ETP Performance Reports

- The total number of participants who exit a program of study or its equivalent;
- The average cost per participant for participants who received training services, disaggregated by type of program; and
- The total number of individuals exiting from a program of study (or the equivalent); and



ETP Performance Reports

- The levels of performance for the primary indicators of performance accountability for all individuals in a program or equivalent, which includes:
 - Unsubsidized Employment in the 2nd quarter after exit
 - Unsubsidized Employment in the 4th quarter after exit
 - Median earnings in the 2nd quarter after exit
 - Credentials attainment



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To apply for the ETPL, complete an application at
www.azjobconnection.gov

DES Workforce Innovation & Office of Apprenticeship Website
<https://www.azdes.gov/wioa/>



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