Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to communicate local policy regarding activities that constitute follow-up services for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I Adult and Dislocated Workers.

Follow-up services provided to program-completed WIOA Title I Adult and Dislocated Worker program participants are activities designed to help those individuals retain unsubsidized employment resulting from the system-related services received.

Policy

Follow-up services can only be provided to WIOA Title I Adult and Dislocated Worker program participants who are placed in unsubsidized employment and have a Program Completion recorded in the Management Information System (MIS).

Note: WIOA law and regulations define follow-up services as a type of career service, which would typically mean that they can only be provided to participants. However, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) has instructed states to follow the guidance issued in TEGL 10-16 Change 1, which states that follow-up services begin after program completion.

Follow-up services, if requested by individuals and determined by staff to be appropriate for those individuals, must be provided for a period of up to 12 months (i.e., not more than 12 months).

Note: WIOA law and regulations state that follow-up services must be provided for not less than 12 months, but DOL has instructed states to comply with the guidance issued in TEGL 19-16.

Policy Guidelines

Follow-up services do not trigger the exit date to change or delay exit for performance reporting as per guidance issued by DOL in TEGL 10-16 Change 1.

As such, each exit of a participant during a program year must be counted as a separate period of participation if a participant has more than one exit in that program year.

Follow-up services for WIOA Title I Adult and Dislocated Worker program participants can include, but are not limited to, two-way exchanges between the service provider or case manager and either the individual (or his/her advocate) or the individual’s employer as follows:
• Counseling individuals about the workplace
• Contacting individuals or employers to verify employment
• Contacting individuals or employers to help secure better paying jobs, additional career planning, and counseling for the individual
• Assisting individuals and employers in resolving work-related problems
• Connecting individuals to peer support groups
• Providing individuals with information about additional educational or employment opportunities
• Providing individuals with referrals to other community services

Supportive Services during follow-up are allowable for Adult and Dislocated Workers that have completed the program to help them retain unsubsidized employment.

NOTE:
A follow-up service has been added to the WorkSource Services Catalog through WorkSource Information Notice 0077 Change 10 to enable the recording of supportive services to Adult and Dislocated Workers that have program completions:

“FOLLOW-UP SERVICES-SUPPORTIVE ASSISTANCE” – Services normally considered supportive services are also appropriate as follow-up services for participants in Adult or Dislocated Worker programs placed in unsubsidized employment whose employment may be at risk due to interruptions to key supports. This follow-up service does not trigger or extend participation and is not durational.

Please refer to PacMtn Support Service Procedure 5200P for allowable Support Services.

Any discrepancies arising between PacMtn policy and or procedures with federal and state provisions due to current or future revisions will default to the current minimum federal and state regulations and guidance available. PacMtn policy and or procedures may set forth stricter requirements than provided by federal and state guidance, but in no case will PacMtn policy and or procedures not meet minimum federal and state policy.

References

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014

Training and Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) 19-16, 10-16 Change 1-Section 7
U.S. Department of Labor response to California’s request for a waiver to allow supportive services during follow-up.

Public Law 113-128, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, Section 134(c)(2)(A)(xiii)

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