

Maximizing WIOA and non-WIOA Performance Data Cohort

Timeline of Cohort Activities

The Cohort will engage in peer learning and information sharing activities across 5 consecutive months:

1. Virtual Kick Off Meeting – Week of January 28, 2019 (75 minutes)

- ◆ Overview of cohort challenge & activities.
- ◆ Learn what to expect and discuss goals, outcomes, and State action plans.
- ◆ State Teams introduce themselves, discuss their State's current status, and share their goals for participation in the Cohort.

⇒ *Cohort Team Assignment 1: State teams meet to provide responses to first cohort activity and post them on the discussion board.*

- *Activity – Describe your state's past efforts using Workforce Investment Act (WIA) performance data to demonstrate programmatic challenges and achievements prior to WIOA implementation. What challenges did you face when using this data to communicate program performance? How have your efforts changed under WIOA, and what challenges are you currently facing in this area?*

2. Virtual Meeting on WIOA Performance Data Collection and Reporting Requirements – Week of February 11 (75 minutes)

- ◆ States will discuss progress and challenges around meeting WIOA section 116 requirements.
- ◆ Using information from the discussion board, identify common issues, goals, and strategies for compliance.

⇒ *Cohort Team Assignment 2: State teams will describe current efforts to develop and use non-WIOA, state specific indicators to demonstrate program performance and post on cohort discussion board.*

3. Virtual Meeting on State-Specific Performance Indicators – Week of March 4 (75 minutes)

- ◆ Discussion of methods developed by states to supplement information provided through collection of WIOA performance data.
- ◆ Using information from discussion board, identify common issues, goals, and promising practices around the development of state-specific performance measures.

⇒ *Cohort Team Assignment 3: State teams will provide two to three questions they would like to pose to the Departments of Labor and Education or to their cohort peers and post them on the discussion board.*

4. Proposed In-person Meeting – March 27-28

*** Note: The In-Person Meeting is pending approval. Alternatively, one or more additional virtual meeting(s) may be substituted.**

**** Note: The Departments of Labor and Education do not anticipate funding for travel, lodging or meals.**

- ◆ Based on the work of the State teams during their virtual activities, they will engage in a deeper discussion of the best ways to utilize WIOA and non-WIOA performance data, discover answers to common questions/concerns, and share additional information around current performance efforts.
- ◆ States will share and develop innovative ideas around the maximization of WIOA and non-WIOA data while learning and receiving feedback from other cohort teams.
- ◆ States will identify any technical assistance that would be useful in their maximization efforts.

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⇒ *Cohort Team Assignment 4: State Teams will meet to create strategies for maximizing WIOA and non-WIOA performance data within their State and develop an action plan outlining next steps.*

5. Virtual Meeting – Week of April 22 (90 minutes)

- ◆ The first group of State Teams will discuss their strategies for maximizing WIOA and non-WIOA performance data and next steps.
- ◆ State Teams will receive input from the Cohort on their Action Plan as well as collaborative support and technical assistance from Federal meeting participants.

6. Virtual Meeting – Week of May 13 (90 minutes)

- ◆ The second group of State Teams will discuss their strategies for maximizing WIOA and non-WIOA performance data and next steps.
- ◆ State Teams will receive input from the Cohort on their Action Plan as well as collaborative support and technical assistance from Federal meeting participants.