

**Minnesota Association of Workforce Boards (MAWB)/Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED)  
Workplan and Current Priorities  
Updated 2/22/22**

Project Name	Staff Involved	Scope/Status	Action Needed	Comments
<p>NEG Grant (National Emergency Grant)</p> <p>Started: April 2020</p>	<p>Marc Majors Jennifer Anderson (lead) Ling Becker Jinny Rietmann</p>	<p>DEED received \$2.5M – serve dislocated workers and others effected by COVID</p>	<p>DEED has applied for another \$4.7M per request of DOL.</p> <p>Awaiting RFP (mini RFP was proposed) rollout by DEED – any updates?</p>	<p>Local areas can start working on project identified employer engagement, etc.</p> <p>Provide MAWB WDA's a copy of grant proposal.</p> <p>Finalizing RFP language and \$4.7 M allotment from DOL – follow-up information from WDA's.</p>
<p>Rapid Response Workgroup</p> <p>Started: November 2019</p>	<p>Marc Majors Jason Wadell Anne Kilzer Diane Halvorson Rick Roy Barb Chaffee Tammy Biery</p>	<p>Workgroup is looking at alignment with WIOA and state law. Research and preliminary analysis ready by DEED.</p> <p>Rick shared document at 8/27/20 Operations Mtg.</p>	<p>Regular meetings should be scheduled with monthly updates at MAWB Operations.</p> <p>Plan to map out the rapid response process with the RR Team and look for opportunities to improve the process and communication with local areas.</p> <p>Goal to shorten the time period to connect with these employers and provide information to the employees about general public career services.</p>	<p>At the August MAWB Operations meeting Rick provided a comparison of the WIOA Law and what is happening or could happen with adaptions to the State Rapid Response Work.</p> <p>Workgroup looking at some final recommendations and feedback to bring forward to March Operations.</p>

<p>Performance Report Pilot</p> <p>Started: August 2020</p>		<p>DEED has been asked to provide additional performance information for State stakeholders such as the Commissioner. DEED ETP will be working with 15 providers to participate.</p>	<p>Share the names of the participating providers.</p> <p>Share copy of the template.</p>	<p>Template shared at October MAWB Operations – Adult Career Pathway grantees</p> <p>Working on an update with providers in the next few weeks – request driven by Commissioner and Dep. Commissioner Warfa. More to come in March.</p>
<p>Performance Measure Sanction Policy</p> <p>Started: August 2020</p>	<p>Amy Carlson John Olson Anne Kilzer Mark Majors</p>	<p>To provide an agreed-upon plan when local Workforce Development Areas (WDA's) do not meet Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title 1 (Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth) annual performance measures as negotiated with DEED.</p>	<p>A few more meetings to finalize.</p>	<p>DEED leadership support and MAWB vote.</p> <p>Group update at November MAWB Operations</p> <p>Any updates?</p>

**Other items for follow-up:**

- State H-1B application and region 4 not funded.
- Opioid Grant – Anoka, CareerSource, CMJTS, Duluth and MDI – State Awarded \$1.3M 12/20 – awaiting contracts from DEED.
- Standardized Workshops – 5 sites (Anoka, Ramsey, WDI, CMJTS, Rural CEP – Fergus Falls – 5-month pilot – Started November 1, 2020. Provided update at the January JSS group – pilot continuing, numbers lower than expected due to COVID.
- Incumbent worker training – confirm which funding streams can support this (different areas have gotten different messages on whether WIOA Adult can be used – WIOA law says yes), best practices and ensure IWT message built into CareerForce messaging. IWT workgroup established for continued training and best practice review and data collection. Does MAWB/DEED want to coordinate a request to MJSP?
- DW Eligibility Policy review and updates – submitted to P & I for review/discussion. Information being shared with Directors and program staff for continued review. Small workgroup of Anoka, Duluth, Rural CEP, Washington and WDI staff will work with DEED ETP to review and look at revisions to bring back to P & I.

**Future workgroup discussion:**

- Shutdown Workgroup
- OSO Waiver revisit
- Pell/WIOA funding discussion