

Notes from Kay Tracy/John Olson/Youth Team update for Job Seeker Services Meeting on 3/23/22:

WIOA Youth Program:

1. **Estimated Timeline for Release of FINAL PY2022 WIOA Youth Allocations: is mid-April.** New WDA-level Areas of Substantial Unemployment (ASU) data provided by DEED's LMI Team on 3/23. The WDA-level ASU data will be used to update the PY22 WIOA Youth (and adult) allocation formulas. Very important: DEED's LMI Team presentation of WDA-level ASU data for MAWB Operations Committee.
2. **Preliminary PY2021 WIOA Youth Performance Data:** Youth Team issued Preliminary PY21 WIOA Youth performance data to local partners in a separate message on 3/22/22. Rosters are available in WorkForce 1. **The cut-off date for making changes in PY2021 WIOA data in WorkForce One is July 8, 2022**
3. **Narrative Updates for Local Youth Plans due on Friday, April 8, 2022 (for activities funded under PY22 WIOA Youth and SFY23 Minnesota Youth Program).** WDAs not required to submit BUDGET Summaries until final allocations are released by DOL (expected in April). Early submittal of the narrative updates helps expedite process of getting PY22 WIOA Youth and SFY23 MYP funds out to the WDA level. To date, the following 6 WDAs have submitted Local Youth Plan narrative updates: **Northwest WDA, City of Duluth, Winona County, Anoka County, Washington County and Rural CEP.**
4. **Notes Attached from State Youth Liaison Conference Call on 3/15/22 , topic WIOA Performance Accountability:** state-level Youth Contacts in Region V had opportunity to pose WIOA Youth performance-related questions to the Performance/Reporting Team on 3/15. **Q and A's from that meeting are attached.** Reminder: no state in Region V (and no state in the country) failed WIOA Performance Measures in PY2020. **States/WDAs required to meet at least 50% of negotiated PY20 WIOA Youth Performance Goals. DOL will take the same approach in evaluating WIOA Youth performance for PY2021.**

DOL's new "Statistical Adjustment Model (SAM)" for PY22-PY23 Performance Negotiations will be discussed at upcoming DOL Performance Accountability Webinar on 3/24/22. The new SAM for PY22-23 was just posted by DOL, see weblink:

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/performance/goals/negotiated-performance-levels>.

5. **PowerPoint on Data Validation Requirements:** attached is powerpoint presentation on DOL's current "Data Validation (DV)" requirements under WIOA. DOL advised that a new TEGL on DV will be issued. There is a national workgroup focused on developing a new "Performance Accountability" Monitoring Guide that will be incorporated into the WIOA Core Monitoring Guide. States can plan on being monitored by Region V Team. Planning Issue: DEED Leadership will decide how/when to implement "data validation" for Title I and Title III. Most states are incorporating DV into their Management Information Systems. The attached powerpoint presentation on DV requirements was reviewed by National Office/Regional Office Performance Accountability Teams.
5. **States Required to Negotiate WIOA Performance Goals for PY22 & PY23:** estimated timeline is May/June of 2022. Vicki Leaderbrand (Rural CEP) and Nicole Swanson (Anoka County) are

representing the WDAs as part of Minnesota's Negotiation Team. Minnesota expected to be asked to put together PROPOSED PY2022-23 WIOA Performance Goals for submittal to DOL on or about the second week of April. Will keep Vicki and Nicole posted as we learn more.

6. **Waiver to 20% Carry-Over Limit Under WIOA Youth:** WDAs have until June 30, 2022 to **expend or obligate** 80% of their PY2021 WIOA Youth Funds. WDAs may ask for a waiver to the 20% carryover limit if needed as we get closer to 6/30/22.

Youth at Work and Youth Support Services Opportunity Grants –

6. **TAT Session for SFY22 Youth at Work and SFY22 Youth Support Services Grantees on March 29, 2022:** will be held on March 29. The TAT Session will be recorded, posted and available "on demand." Questions? Please follow up with: Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us.
7. **SFY22 Youth at Work Modifications and/or Extensions and SFY23 Youth at Work Workplans and Budgets:** if your agency has not already submitted, please forward modification/extension requests to Cory.Schmid@state.mn.us as soon as your schedules permit. And, SFY23/Year 2 Youth at Work workplans and budgets were due on March 15.

TANF Youth Projects

8. **TANF Youth webpage:** the TANF Youth webpage has been updated with the local plans and other relevant documents for 2022, see: <https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/office-youth-development/special/tanf/>. **A reminder that the data for the 1/1/22-3/31/22 quarter (enrollments, activity updates, expenditures, etc.) must be entered into Workforce One no later than 4/15/22.** Questions? Please follow up with Lynn.Douma@state.mn.us.

Thank you for your cooperation. If questions arise, please do not hesitate to contact me at Kay.Tracy@state.mn.us or John.R.Olson@state.mn.us.

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