



**MINNESOTA ASSOCIATION
OF WORKFORCE BOARDS**

MAWB Jobseeker Services Committee Notes

April 23rd, 2025

[LAUS Handout](#)

The committee took a survey to rank topics for the upcoming in-person committee meeting.

Employment Services & CareerForceMN.com

- Lena Balk provided the Employment Services & CareerForceMN.com
- The full program update can be found [here](#).

Adult Program Updates

- Amy Carlson, Lensa Idossa, Angela Lidke, & Rita Apaloo provided the Adult Program update.
- DW, TAA, and Performance updates can be found [here](#).
- Anny Meyers provided the Adult Career Pathways update, which can be found [here](#).
- Julie Dincau provided an Adult Basic Education update, which can be found [here](#).

Veterans Employment Program Updates

- 19th Annual Veterans Career Fair – May 21 in Brooklyn Center
- “Hire a Veteran” Month in May
- Please verify updated 2025 veterans screening form

Youth Program Updates

- Kay Tracy provided a Youth Program update.
- The full Youth Program updates can be found [here](#).

SNAP E&T Updates

- Ashley Synder provided the SNAP E&T update, which can be found [here](#).

Department of Children, Youth, and Families Update

- Kristen Shouman provided an update from DCYF.
- Implementing the 2023 legislative changes.
- Biannual service agreements are due in October 2025.

Committee Inquiry: What career assessments are areas using?

- The committee discussed what career assessments areas are using.
- CASAS (adult program), Myers Briggs (all clients), Predictive Index (all clients), Career Scope (all clients)
- TAA has many licenses for Caps, Cops, Copes (CCC) assessment. DW Counselors are welcome to email TAA general line requesting TAA send (any) customer access to the CCC assessment.
- Adult Education is required to use nationally standardized assessments. The two most commonly used are CASAS and TABE. Some local areas partner with their ABE provider to provide the assessments. <https://www.mnabeassessment.com/>
- In Winona we use WOWI. That is available to be given in Spanish as well. It also can be offered at various reading levels.

- Consider contacting Sonji.Davis@state.mn.us She is at the Office of New Americans. The grant is a pilot International Credential Evaluation Pilot (ICEP).

Leading with Equity: Celebrate Diversity Month – [video](#)

The Jobseeker Services Committee will meet again on May 21st, 2025, 1-3pm via zoom