U.S. Department of Health and Human Services CHILDREN FOR FAMILIES Office of Family Assistance

OFA Peer Exchange Workshop: Strengthening Collaboration between TANF and WIOA



| AGENDA | Monday, September 21, 2015 |
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| 7:30 AM – 8:15 AM | Registration and Check In |
| 8:15 AM – 8:30 AM | Welcome and Opening Remarks Live Streaming |
| | Nisha Patel, Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |
| 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM | Team Introductions and Icebreaker Live Streaming |
| | To kick off the TANF-WIOA Peer Exchange, participants will assess their state or local area's current level of collaboration by placing an outline of their state on the collaboration continuum at the front of the room. Participants will go to the collaboration continuum one by one, and introduce themselves to the group while they do so. |
| | <i>Moderator:</i> Lisa Washington-Thomas, Self-Sufficiency Branch Chief, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |
| 9:00 AM – 9:45 AM | Perspectives on the Promise of Partnership Live Streaming |
| | Susan Golonka, Deputy Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |
| | Robert Kight, Director, Adult Services and Workforce System, Office of Workforce Investment, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor |
| | Janet LaBreck, Commissioner, Rehabilitation Services Administration, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education |
| | Christopher Coro, Deputy Director, Division of Adult Education and Literacy, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education, U.S. Department of Education |
| | Representatives from the U.S. Departments of Labor, Education, and Health and Human Services will share their perspective on what would represent a successful collaboration from both customer and agency perspectives. They will also discuss their program's role as a partner in the one-stop system and what their program can bring to the one-stop partnership. |
| 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM | Getting Started: A Vision from Maryland Live Streaming |
| | Sara Muempfer, Director of Workforce Development, Family Investment Administration, Bureau of Workforce Development, Maryland Department of Human Resources |
| | <i>Moderator:</i> Damon Waters, Program Specialist, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |
| | Sara Muempfer from the Maryland Department of Human Resources will discuss the state's initial experiences with TANF-WIOA collaboration efforts, including brainstorming strategies challenges, and potential solutions. As a Systems to Family Stability Policy Academy site, the state's experience will offer insight into the growing pains of collaboration, and potential strategies to consider to jumpstart or enhance partnerships. |



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| 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM | Break |
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| 10:45 AM – 12:15 PM | Team Time #1: Where are We Now? |
| | Agency structure, program priorities and requirements, customer characteristics, operational realities and previous experiences are just a few factors that will influence the development of partnerships under WIOA. During this team time, individual teams will begin the implementation planning by gaining greater understanding of each other's program and outlining where they are now in the collaboration process. Team members will consider issues such as: |
| | Characteristics of each partner's program, including purposes and goals, funding, performance measures, reporting requirements, and service delivery structures; Characteristics of the customers each program serves; Collaboration under WIA and efforts to date under WIOA; Agency priorities, collaboration interests and opportunities for mutual benefit; and Perceived challenges of collaboration. |
| | Facilitators will work with teams to determine the areas where customers, services, funding, reporting, and performance overlap, and participants identify specific opportunities to work together. |
| 12:15 PM – 1:30 PM | Lunch on Your Own |
| 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM | Team Time #2: Developing a Common Vision |
| | During this team time session, team members will work together to develop a vision of an ideal one-stop system from the perspective of a customer and, in particular, a TANF recipient, and consider the strategies and partnerships required to achieve that vision. |
| 3:00 PM – 3:15 PM | Break |
| 3:15 PM – 4:30 PM | Concurrent Workshops |
| | Aligning WIOA Performance Measures and TANF Work Requirements: Finding Common Ground Live Streaming |
| | Luke Murren, Supervisory Workforce Analyst, Office of Policy Development and Research, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor |
| | Partnerships between WIOA and Human Services Programs: A Means to an End |
| | David Socolow, Director, Center for Postsecondary and Economic Success, Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP), Washington, DC |
| | Critical Elements of the TANF-American Job Center: MOUs, Procurement, and Cost Allocations |
| | Laurie Bouillion Larrea, President, Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas, TX |
| | Developing Career Pathways and Work-based Learning Opportunities |
| | Maria Flynn, Senior Vice President, Jobs for the Future, Boston, MA |

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| 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM | Team Reflections and Report Out Live Streaming |
| | <i>Moderator:</i> Lisa Washington-Thomas, Self-Sufficiency Branch Chief, Office o Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department or Health and Human Services |
| 5:00 PM | Day One Closing |
| AGENDA | Tuesday, September 22, 201 |
| 8:30 AM – 8:45 AM | Morning Welcome & Reflection |
| | Susan Golonka, Deputy Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |
| 8:45 AM – 9:45 AM | Team Time #3: Cross Team Discussion |
| | During this session, teams will be paired together to discuss their visions for the one-stop system, the partnerships it would entail, and anticipated challenges an strategies. Teams will seek feedback and provide insight to assist one another with the Implementation Blueprint planning process. |
| 9:45 AM – 10:00 AM | Break |
| 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM | Team Time #4: Faculty Assisted Implementation Blueprint Planning |
| | During the final team time session, faculty and facilitators will work with teams to capture specific ideas and strategies to develop a draft Implementation Blueprin Teams will be tasked with selecting a viable course of collaboration, which will improve services to customers and allow for program efficiencies. Implementatio Blueprints will include the following components: goals, desired outcomes, benchmarks, role of state partners, role of local partners, shared activities and services, new partners needed, and timelines. The Blueprint will also include action steps for team members upon returning home, to ensure that the team remains on the path toward successful collaboration. The teams will prepare for their Report Out panel discussion. |
| 11:30 AM – 12:15 PM | Team Blueprint Report Out Panel Live Streaming |
| | <i>Moderator:</i> Lisa Washington-Thomas, Self-Sufficiency Branch Chief, Office or Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department or Health and Human Services |
| | In this final session, each team will nominate a speaker to share their draft Implementation Blueprint as part of a moderated panel discussion. State panelists will be asked to provide a brief overview of what they have achieved, their plans going forward, and the challenges they anticipate facing. They will an discuss technical assistance needs, and ongoing support they may need from federal, state, and local partners moving forward. Panelists from other teams will be invited to provide peer-to-peer feedback on each state's progress and ask clarifying questions. |
| 12:15 PM – 12:30 PM | Wrap Up and Closing Remarks Live Streaming |
| | Nisha Patel, Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services |