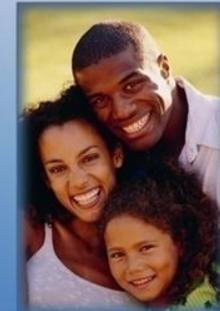
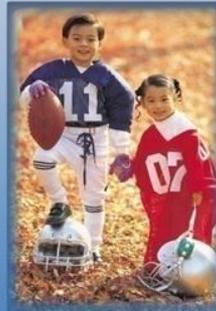
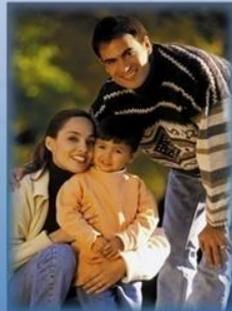




Online Work Readiness Assessment (OWRA) Webinar

January 5, 2012



- Online Work Readiness Assessment, OFA-funded
- Initially created in conjunction with University of Maryland School of Social Work
- Multiple pilot and implementation phases
- Components include: Questionnaire, Assessment, Self Sufficiency Plan, Reports

Purpose of Webinar

- Are there any requirements for using OWRA?
- Does OWRA have a cost?
- How do you download OWRA?
- Where do you download OWRA?

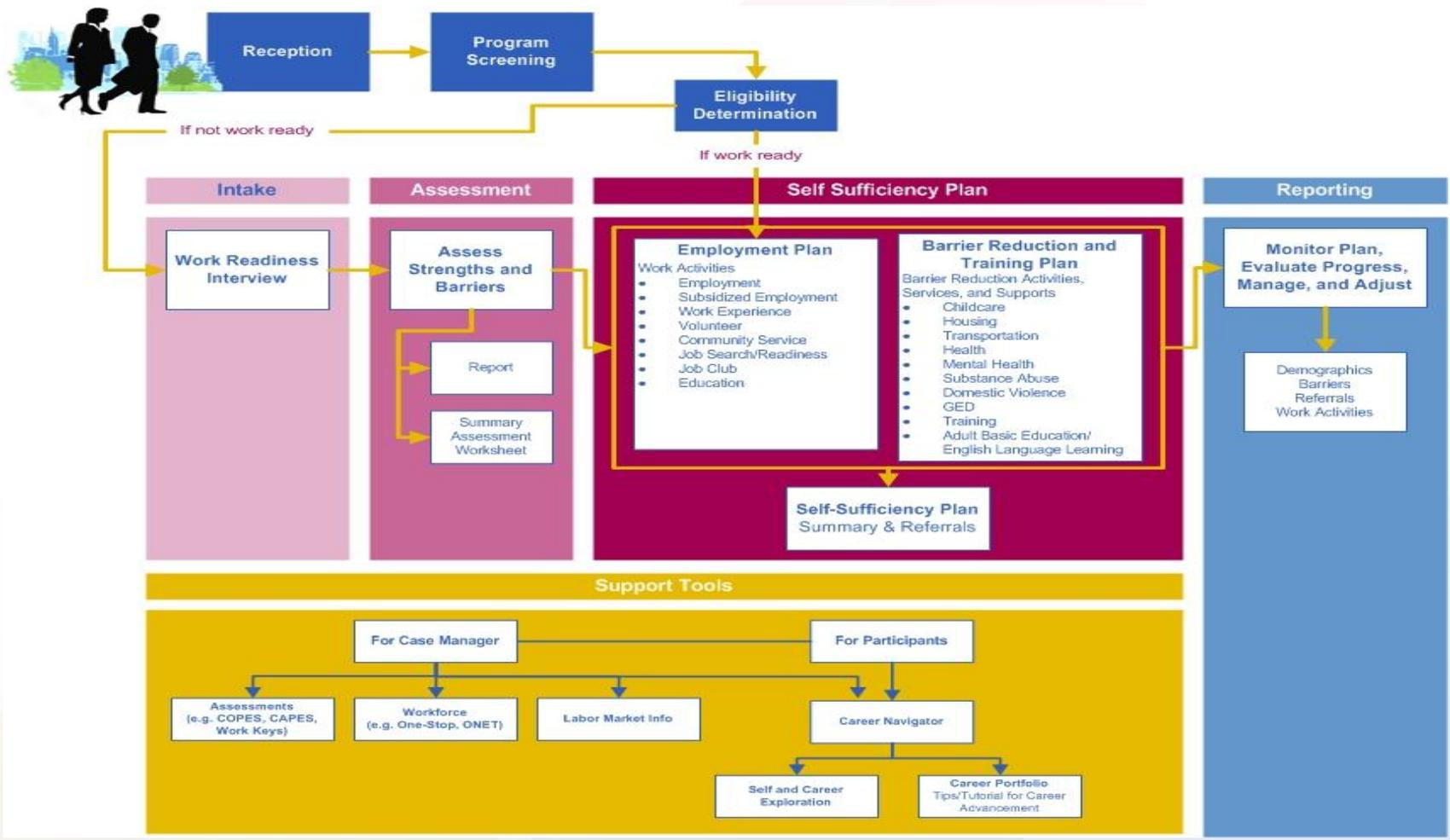
Requirements to Use OWRA

- No OFA requirement to use OWRA
- No requirement to use a specific vendor
- No licensing fee

OWRA Costs

- The OWRA source code is free to download;
- Costs incurred will be in terms of hosting, customization, configuration, specific requirements, and integration needs;
- Costs will vary based on existing technology, needs, and whether the work is done in-house or via a vendor;
- Hosting can range from \$17,000 to \$40,000 yearly based on the following variables: hardware (own, dedicated, or non-dedicated virtual servers), security requirements, and labor associated with setup, deployment, database and configuration setup, and testing;
- These numbers will vary based on whether the work is done in-house and/or your choice of vendor; and
- Additional costs can be incurred from labor and level of systems and technical expertise associated with customizations, modifications of questions that affect business logic, and integration with any existing systems. This work can be done in-house if you have appropriate level of staff or via a vendor.

OWRA Schema



How do you Download OWRA: What Grantees Need

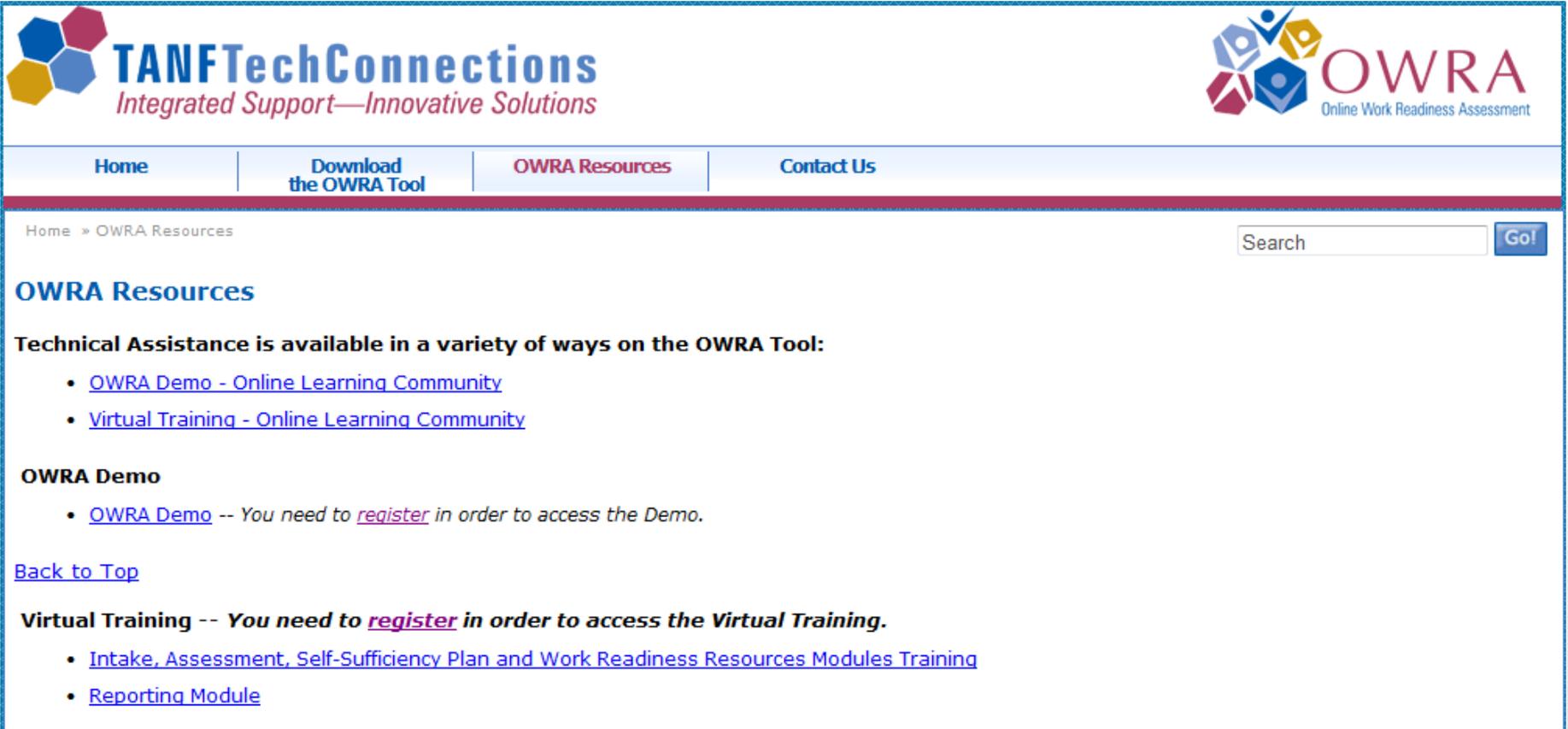
- IT support
- Web application server
- Database

How do you download OWRA: Technical Specifications

- Designed as an open-source application
- No licensing required
- Programming language: Java
- Database: MySQL was used for pilots, works with others
- Web server: Glassfish was used for pilots, works with others

What OFA Provides

- Source Code (customizable)
- Deployable .war file
- Database scripts
- Code, etc. for administrative module:
 - User authentication
 - Site-specific language for assessment
- Virtual Training
 - Training on all 4 modules and Work Readiness Resource
- OWRA Demonstration



The screenshot shows the TANFTechConnections website. The header includes the TANFTechConnections logo with the tagline "Integrated Support—Innovative Solutions" and the OWRA logo with the tagline "Online Work Readiness Assessment". A navigation menu contains links for Home, Download the OWRA Tool, OWRA Resources (highlighted), and Contact Us. Below the menu, there is a breadcrumb trail "Home » OWRA Resources" and a search bar with a "Go!" button. The main content area is titled "OWRA Resources" and contains the following text:

Technical Assistance is available in a variety of ways on the OWRA Tool:

- [OWRA Demo - Online Learning Community](#)
- [Virtual Training - Online Learning Community](#)

OWRA Demo

- [OWRA Demo](#) -- You need to *register* in order to access the Demo.

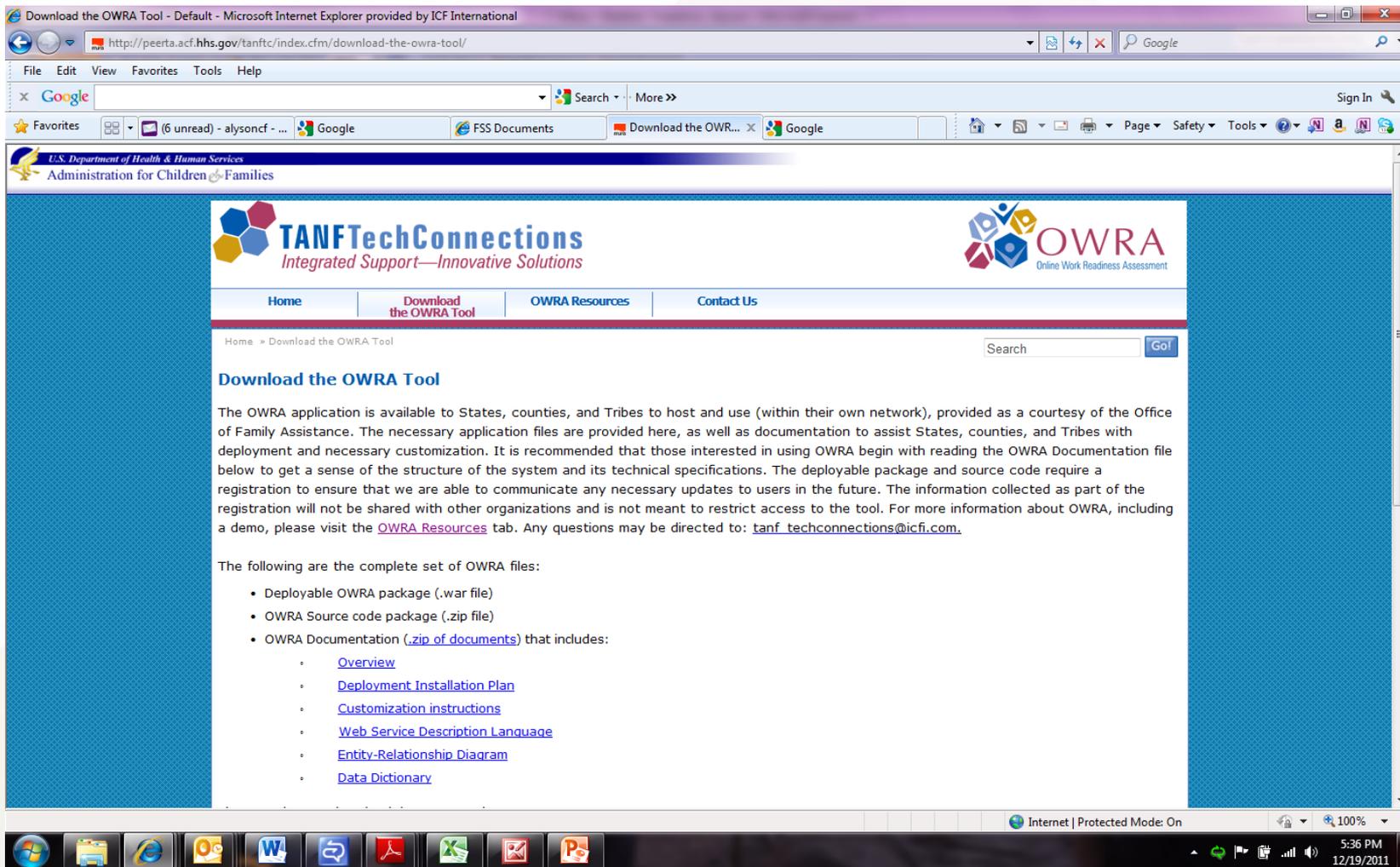
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Virtual Training -- You need to *register* in order to access the *Virtual Training*.

- [Intake, Assessment, Self-Sufficiency Plan and Work Readiness Resources Modules Training](#)
- [Reporting Module](#)

Downloading OWRA

- Download application from TANF TechConnections page on Welfare PeerTA Website
- Download technical guidance
- Deploy OWRA
- Configure OWRA
 - Encryption
 - Recommendation text
 - Hierarchy
 - Users
 - Integration with other systems



Download the OWRA Tool - Default - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by ICF International

http://peerta.acf.hhs.gov/tanfct/index.cfm/download-the-owra-tool/

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Download the OWRA Tool

The OWRA application is available to States, counties, and Tribes to host and use (within their own network), provided as a courtesy of the Office of Family Assistance. The necessary application files are provided here, as well as documentation to assist States, counties, and Tribes with deployment and necessary customization. It is recommended that those interested in using OWRA begin with reading the OWRA Documentation file below to get a sense of the structure of the system and its technical specifications. The deployable package and source code require a registration to ensure that we are able to communicate any necessary updates to users in the future. The information collected as part of the registration will not be shared with other organizations and is not meant to restrict access to the tool. For more information about OWRA, including a demo, please visit the [OWRA Resources](#) tab. Any questions may be directed to: tanf_techconnections@icfi.com.

The following are the complete set of OWRA files:

- Deployable OWRA package (.war file)
- OWRA Source code package (.zip file)
- OWRA Documentation ([.zip of documents](#)) that includes:
 - [Overview](#)
 - [Deployment Installation Plan](#)
 - [Customization instructions](#)
 - [Web Service Description Language](#)
 - [Entity-Relationship Diagram](#)
 - [Data Dictionary](#)

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Considerations for Downloading OWRA

- Audience (language of questions oriented to TANF population)
- Business Process
 - OWRA as a one-time assessment vs. case management tool
 - Integration with/Data for other systems
 - Users, multiple contacts for one case
 - Number of cases
 - Departments/partners
- Timeframe needed/to be used
- Maintenance

How do I access OWRA?

For more information on OWRA, please go to:

<http://peerta.acf.hhs.gov/tanftc/>

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