



Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

Professional Development Task Force Charter

Summary and overview

The WIOA Steering Committee chartered the Professional Development (PD) Taskforce to make recommendations on Professional Development for One Stop Center frontline staff, administrative staff, and partners with the various core programs, as Washington implements WIOA regulations.

The Taskforce's goal is to make recommendations regarding professional development to the WIOA Steering Committee where the committee will review and accept, modify, or edit the recommendations to forward to the state's Workforce Board. The Board will review these recommendations as part of their proposed WIOA development and implementation plan to be sent to the Governor for his input, approval, and implementation.

The recommendations should focus on developing an ongoing, accessible professional development system for:

- Frontline staff within all core programs and One Stops.
- Leadership/management staff within all core programs.
- Sustainability throughout the state.
- Accessibility and flexibility for all staff.



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Professional Development Task Force Update

Update from May 18, 2015

Attendees: Beth Blanchard, Cindy Wilson, Dave Petersen, Jeanne Bennett, Jim Kenney, Mandie Dell, Patrick Baldoz, Terri Colbert

Committee members reviewed the NAWDP link and reported on their experience with this training <http://www.nawdp.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Certification>

Discussion: Focused on what agencies are currently doing for professional development.

- Seattle King County WDC reported on their online and face-to-face training for frontline staff that consisted of 6 areas and 18 courses. The committee will look into getting access to review this training.
 - Consideration given to a menu of training whether technical assistance or professional development
- There has been some preliminary discussion and planning about hosting a fall conference that would bring in federal leadership presenters from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and U.S. Department of Education (DOE) that would facilitate an informational training for management staff around the new WIOA requirements.
 - Consideration given to working with other partner agencies
 - The partner versus contractor relationship

Discussion: Next steps.

- Develop and conduct a system scan or gap analysis
- Draft and review the taskforce's charter/charge/ guiding principles
- Review current online trainings
- Work with those drafting a statewide leadership conference
- Identify additional sector membership for the committee to ensure there is representation

Next Meeting Dates:

- Tentative schedule of two dates in June and July. Currently being scheduled.