WIA BULLETIN NO. 07-13

TO: WIA Administrators/Local Workforce Investment Boards

FROM: Dwight Takamine, Director
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SUBJECT: Approval of the State Integrated Workforce Plan for Title I of the Workforce Investment Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act Programs

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to announce the approval of the State Integrated Workforce Plan for Title I of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) and Wagner-Peyser (WP) effective July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017 and the Performance Goals for the Program Year 2013.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Workforce Development Council (WDC), submitted the State Integrated Workforce Plan on September 15, 2012 based on instructions issued in Training and Guidance Letters (TEGL) 21-11 and 21-11, Change 1. A conditional approval was received in a letter dated December 13, 2012, with the U.S. Department of Labor requesting a modification to address concerns. A subsequent Modification was submitted on March 15, 2013. Included in all the submissions were requests for waivers of statutory and regulatory requirements under WIA to allow for more flexibility in program design and meaningful participant results.

In addition to the development and modification to the State Plan and the negotiation of the Program year 2012 performance goals, the DLIR recently began negotiating performance goals for Program Year 2013 for WIA and WP. These goals differ from previous program years due to the State’s request and USDOL’s approval of the use of Common Measures for reporting program performance.
POLICY:

The State Integrated Workforce Plan for Title I of the WIA and Wagner-Peyser Programs for July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2017 serves as Hawaii’s vision for our state’s employment and training and economic development for the next Five Years and reflects the local areas resources and program designs to assist the Council and the Governor in achieving the goals set in the Plan. The Plan is available on the WDC website at http://labor.hawaii.gov/wdc (Plans and Reports).

Attached are the following documents related to the Plan:

(1) June 11, 2013 letter from Gerri Fiala, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor, giving full approval of Hawaii’s Plan (including the attached waiver for common measures);

(2) December 13, 2012 letter from Jane Oates, Assistant Secretary of Labor, giving conditional approval of Hawaii’s Plan and approval of waivers previously submitted;

(3) January 14, 2013 letter from Virginia Hamilton, Regional Administrator of USDOL, giving approval for PY12 Performance Goals for WIA and Wagner-Peyser (also included in revised State Plan); and

(4) June 24, 2013 letter from Bryan Rogers, Acting Regional Administrator of USDOL, giving approval PY13 Performance Goals for WIA and Wagner-Peyser.

PROCEDURES:

Local Workforce Investment Boards and their partners should disseminate the plan to involved community partners. Local Area Four-Year Plans should align with the State’s vision and goals, while developing their Four-Year Plans to recognize the needs of their local area, economic conditions, and the community that they serve.

INQUIRIES:

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