



## **Steering Committee Task Force Issue:**

### **Develop Recommendation for either a WIOA Unified State Plan or a WIOA Combined State Plan**

The goal of this structure is to take each issue and task to be addressed by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Steering Committee and prepare it for presentation to the Steering Committee so that they are able to effectively develop a recommendation to the Workforce Board.

#### **ISSUE/TASK: The Governor's letter directs the state to:**

- *Explore fully the benefits of a combined plan versus a unified plan, including an analysis of any current barriers to accomplishing a combined plan.*
- *Conduct an examination of integrating the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program into the workforce system, including recommendations for serving the most at-risk TANF clients. Health and human services stakeholders must be a key constituency in forming this set of recommendations. I am directing the Department of Social and Health Services to participate fully in this analysis.*

#### **To that end, the Task Force shall determine:**

- **Shall the state develop a Unified WIOA State Plan, or a Combined Plan?**
- **What shall be the Vision and Mission for the State Plan?**

#### **CURRENT STRUCTURE UNDER WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA):**

- Each of the four programs under WIA submit individual plans
- While the state's strategic plan for workforce development, *High Skills, High Wages*, includes 15 programs, this is not considered the state's WIA plan

#### **POTENTIAL/PERCEIVED CHANGES UNDER WIOA:**

- **Both plans (unified or combined) will include the core programs:**
  - Adult
  - Youth
  - Dislocated Workers
  - Wagner-Peyser
  - Basic Education for Adults
  - Vocational Rehabilitation

- **A state may develop and submit a Combined Plan (in lieu of submitting multiple plans) for WIOA's "core programs" and one or more of the following programs:**
  - Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act
  - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) o Note: Governors must make a determination to exclude TANF as a required One-Stop partner (See Pages 9 and 10 for a list of required One-Stop partners).
  - Trade Act (Trade Adjustment Assistance)
  - Veterans Employment and Training Services
  - Unemployment Insurance Services
  - Basic Food Employment and Training (BFET)Program (Department of Agriculture)
  - Work Programs under Sec.6(o) of the Food and Nutrition Act
  - Senior Community Services Employment Program (Title V of the Older Americans Act)
  - E&T carried out under the Community Development Block Grant (Department of Housing and Urban Development)
  - E&T carried out under the Community Services Block Grant (HHS Office of the Administration for Children and Families)
  - Sec. 212 of the Second Chance Act of 2007 (Community Safety Through Recidivism Prevention)

**MINORITY POSITION(S):**

*If there is no consensus on recommendations, this section will be completed by the Task Force to ensure that minority opinion/positions has been considered.*

**STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED:**

*The Task Force will list the stakeholders that participate in this work.*

**ADDITIONAL STAKEHOLDERS TO BE CONSULTED:**

*If there are additional stakeholders who are consulted while completing this work, they should be listed here.*

**ANY ISSUES, QUESTIONS, GUIDANCE NEEDED FROM THE STEERING COMMITTEE:**

*During the work of this Task Force, if issues have arisen that need to be addressed by the Steering Committee, they should be included here.*