

January 2022 H-1B One Workforce Grants Technical Assistance Resource Bulletin

Grants Management Quick Links

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Announcements

REGISTER NOW!

Joint Rural Healthcare and One Workforce Grantee Virtual Convening:

- o February 1 and 2, 2022, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm ET each day

REGISTRATION: The sessions are accessible through two virtual platforms: WorkforceGPS and WebEx. Please register for the convening using the four links below to attend each of the following: ***Open Plenary***; ***Day One Topical Sessions***; ***Day Two Topical Sessions***; and ***Closing Plenary***. Each of the four session types requires separate registrations.

Day One – Tuesday, February 1, 2022

- [Open Plenary](#) (WorkforceGPS)
- [Topical Sessions](#) (WebEx)

Day Two – Wednesday, February 2, 2022

- [Topical Sessions](#) (WebEx)
- [Closing Plenary](#) (WorkforceGPS)

CONVENING RESOURCE PAGE: This [page](#) contains pertinent convening resources including the registration links, agenda, and related materials. Check back soon for additional updates. All presentations will be posted on this page after the convening.

One Workforce: Strategies and Resources to Improve Participant Retention

How can grantees increase program retention outcomes for unemployed and underemployed workers? These resources emphasize the importance of providing support skills training and supportive services for these individuals to increase program retention and successful program completion.

Resources

WEBINARS

[H-1B RTW Peer to Peer Mentoring Roundtable Call: Soft Skills Training and Support Services PPT](#)

As a follow-up to the RTW Conference, RTW grantee EmployIndy shared its strategies for implementing, administering, and delivering a highly successful supportive services program, with an emphasis on soft skills. This training takes place during an intensive 5-week boot camp setting and begins the day the participant starts their program. By addressing the participant's needs up-front, participants are more motivated and more likely to complete the program, ending in a successful job placement in STEM/technical or Gig/Shared Economy occupations.

[Helping the Long-Term Unemployed - Subject Matter Experts Tell You How](#)

These webinars are designed to help key personnel program managers, program coordinators, case managers, training partners, and supportive services personnel providing job search, job coaching and reemployment placement strategies.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR GUIDANCE

[Training and Employment Notice \(TEN\) NO. 12-21: Practitioners Guide to Supportive Services](#)

The purpose of this TEN, issued on October 15, 2021, is to provide a resource guide to workforce investment practitioners who assist jobseekers in finding and applying for financial assistance and other supportive services.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[Promising Practices for Participant Retention and Job Placement](#)

This tip sheet, created from information that two grantees shared during the *America's Promise Roundtable: Promising Practices for Participant Retention and Job Placement*, provides strategies and tips to sustain participant retention and increase job placements.

Tips to Enhance Participant Retention

This toolkit was developed for the America's Promise Grant about strategies to increase participant retention and improve completion rates that lead to employment in their field of study. The resources in this toolkit may be relevant during the project's planning stage as well as during program implementation. Participant retention is crucial to ensuring completion, employment, and supporting the fulfillment of participants earning family-sustaining wages.

Sharing Lessons Learned on H-1B Ready to Work (RTW) Community of Practice

This page highlights resources that have been of value to H-1-B Ready to Work grantees and that may be of benefit to others. Six common areas of interest have been identified: Long Term Unemployed (LTU); Outreach and Recruitment Strategies to Identify the LTU; Supportive Services; Training Strategies; Employment/Placement Strategies to Support the LTU; and Public-Private Partnerships. For each area, representative resources of potential value to a broader audience have been identified.

SNAP Employment and Training

This resource describes the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance SNAP Employment and Training (E&T) program with associated resources to help SNAP participants gain skills and find work that moves them forward to self-sufficiency. Through SNAP E&T, SNAP participants have access to training and support services to help them enter or move up in the workforce. These programs also help to reduce barriers to work by providing support services – such as transportation and childcare – as participants prepare for and obtain employment.

Supportive Services for the Long Term Unemployed

This list contains resources to identify and provide critical needs-related services and soft skills training to support and retain the long term unemployed during training. It provides workforce practitioners with essential information about the critical role that needs-related services and personal effectiveness competencies play in achieving successful training completion for program participants.

Summary of Innovative Programs Serving People with Low Income

The State Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Case Studies project is expanding the knowledge base of innovative approaches to support employment in states and localities by providing descriptive case studies of programs that help disadvantaged populations, including TANF recipients, prepare for, engage in work, and increase their overall stability.