PATHWAY HOME
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Please note that REO will provide responses to additional frequently asked questions throughout the life of the grant.

CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

1.) Can Pathway Home grantees serve individuals in federal correctional facilities or private facilities under exclusive contract with the Federal Bureau of Prisons?
   **Answer:** No, neither are allowed.

2.) Can Pathway Home grantees serve individuals in both federal and state correctional facilities?
   **Answer:** No, a Pathway Home program in a federal facility is not allowed.

3.) Can Pathway Home programs enroll adults (18+ years old) residing in state or local correctional facilities for juveniles?
   **Answer:** No. While individuals residing in some juvenile facilities are adults (18+ years old), Pathway Home grants were intended for the adult correctional system. The FOA states eligible participants must “Reside, at the time of enrollment in the project, in a state correctional facility or local jail for adults [emphasis added].”

4.) Can Pathway Home grantees partner with state correctional facilities AND local jails?
   **Answer:** Yes, Pathway Home grantees may partner with state correctional facilities and local jails.

5.) For individuals in jail, do they have to be sentenced to be eligible, or can they be in jail awaiting arraignment, trial, conviction or sentencing?
   **Answer:** If an individual has not been sentenced, then that individual does not have a release date scheduled. Eligible participants must have a release date scheduled between 20 to 180 days of the individual’s enrollment in the program.

FOLLOW-UP SERVICES

6.) What services can be funded during Pathway Home grant’s 12-month follow-up period?
   **Answer:** Follow-up services may include regular contact with a participant’s employer, including assistance in addressing work-related problems that arise. Other follow-up services may include supportive services and other services depending on the participant’s needs. Follow-up services must include more than just contacts to secure documentation of performance outcomes.

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PERFORMANCE MEASURES

7.) Are Pathway Home grantees expected to propose their own performance measures with specific numeric goals?

Answer: Applicants have the ability to propose their own performance measures with specific numeric goals.

8.) Is the 60% Credential Attainment performance goal calculated as a % of total enrollment, or % of those who enroll in a recognized vocational training program?

Answer: The 60% goal is calculated based on the WIOA calculation for Credential Attainment, which measures the percent of exiters who were in education or training (excluding OJT, IWT, or Customized Training) that attain a credential within one year after exiting. Additionally, if the credential that was attained was a secondary school diploma or equivalent, then that participant must be in education/training leading to a postsecondary credential or employed within one year after exit for the credential to count.

If you have additional questions on how this is calculated, please see Appendix I of TEGL 14-18, where the credential attainment calculation is described starting on page 10 (https://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/TEGL/TEGL_14-18_Appendices_Acc.pdf)

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

9.) COVID-19 will affect the numbers of people my grant can serve, and may impact performance. Will grantees be held accountable for those performance measures? Will future FOAs that use previous performance as a scoring criteria take the COVID-19 related disruptions into account?

Answer: The Employment & Training Administration (ETA) understands there will be disruptions to your participants’ services that ultimately impact your performance. As ETA monitors these disruptions, ETA will provide guidance for competitive performance measures accordingly. ETA does not anticipate that these potential disruptions will affect current Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA) awarded by June 30, 2020. These grant competitions generally use prior performance for activities that have already taken place, and would not be impacted by any COVID-19 related disruptions.

For more Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on COVID-19, please visit: https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/coronavirus

10.) Will ETA waive the requirement for a Memorandum of Understanding or Letter of Commitment for Pathway Home grants, if state corrections facilities or local jail personnel, employers, supportive services offices, etc. are not available due to circumstances related to COVID-19?

Answer: At this time, ETA is not waiving the requirement for a Memorandum of Understanding or Letter of Commitment.

11.) May I use the REO or Department of Labor logos?

Answer: Permission from Department of Labor’s Office of Public Affairs is required.

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