# WE ARE WIOA PARTNERS!



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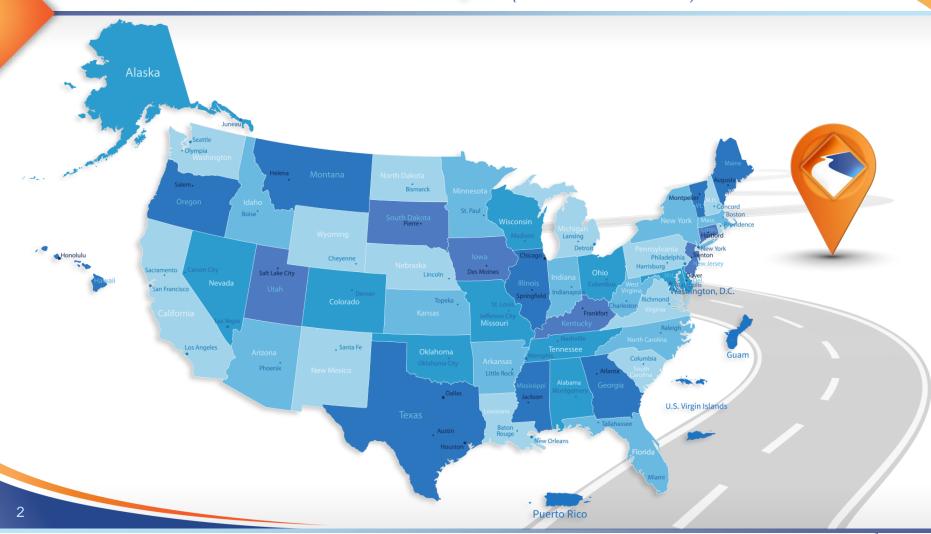




### Where Are You?



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# **Opening Thought:**

"In the long history of humankind ... those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed."

~ Charles Darwin







## **Today's Facilitators**

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## **Today's Objectives**

- ✓ Review the vision for WIOA partnerships in American Job Centers (AJCs);
- Dig deep on One-Stop partner roles and responsibilities guidance;
- ✓ Learn from three local partnerships that have accomplished a lot; and
- ✓ Identify tools and upcoming technical assistance related to roles and responsibilities within WIOA partnerships in AJCs.





## Today's Agenda

- Vision and Guidance Related to WIOA Partnerships in AJCs
- Interactive Discussion of AJC Partner Roles and Responsibilities
- Next Steps, Additional Resources and Upcoming Technical Assistance







#### **WIOA Vision**

- The workforce system will be characterized by three critical hallmarks of excellence:
  - The needs of business and workers drive workforce solutions;



- One-Stop Centers (AJCs) provide excellent customer service to jobseekers and employers and focus on continuous improvement; and
- The workforce system supports strong regional economies and plays an active role in community and workforce development.
- Across the system, continuous improvement is supported through evaluation, accountability, identification of best practices, and data driven decision making.





### Vision of WIOA Partnerships in American Job Centers

#### American Job Centers -

- Connect all customers to the full range of services available in their communities
- Provide seamless, customer-focused, integrated service delivery across all programs and enhance access to the programs' services
- Ensure that businesses and job-seekers have access to information and services that lead to positive employment outcomes
  - This and the next slide reflect content that is in joint policy guidance entitled "Vision for the One-stop Delivery System under WIOA" and "One-stop Operations Guidance for the American Job Center Network"







#### Who are the Core AJC Partners?

- Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth programs
- Title II Adult Education and Family Literacy Act programs
- Title III Wagner-Peyser Act programs
- Title IV Vocational Rehabilitation programs





### Who are Other Required AJC Partners?

#### **DOL-Funded Programs**

- YouthBuild
- WIOA Title I Indian and Native American Programs
- National Farmworker Jobs Program
- Job Corps
- Senior Community Service Employment **Program**
- Trade Adjustment **Assistance Activities**
- Jobs for Veterans State Grants
- Unemployment Compensation
- Re-entry Employment **Opportunities**

#### **ED-Funded Programs**

 Career and Technical Education programs at the post-secondary level, authorized under the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006

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#### Other Federally-**Funded Programs**

- Community Services Block Grant F&T
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
- HUD Employment and **Training**
- Second Chance Act sec. 212





#### Who Else Can Be AJC Partners?

Additional partners may include, with the approval of the Local WDB and CEOs, a variety of appropriate Federal, State or local programs.







#### Poll



# Which of the following has been your biggest challenge?

Choose the answer that best reflects you (or your group):

- Getting the core programs to share a vision and step out of their silos to accomplish it;
- 2. Getting the other required partner to engage with us in a meaningful way that emphasizes the benefits of partnering over mere compliance; or
- 3. Identifying which additional partners to engage, and engaging them.







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#### **AJC Partner Role: Access**

- Provide access to its programs or activities through the AJC network, in addition to other appropriate locations
- Three options for providing access:
  - Have program staff physically present at AJC
  - Have appropriately trained partner staff physically present at AJC
  - Have direct linkage through technology to program staff who can provide meaningful information or services







### **AJC Partner Role: Use of Funds**



- Use a portion of its funds to:
  - Provide applicable career services;
    - ♦ Basic
    - Individualized
    - Follow-up
  - Establish and maintain the onestop delivery system.





#### Poll



# Which of the following is your biggest challenge in coordinating career services across partner programs.

Choose the answer that best reflects you (or your group):

- 1. Keeping track of which customers are eligible to receive services from which program.
- 2. Sharing information needed to determine eligibility for each program and providing unified case management to make it seamless for the customer.
- 3. Each program has its own vocabulary. For example, "on-the-job training" and "employability" mean certain things to WIOA title I staff and very different things to TANF staff.
- 4. Blending and braiding funding streams in a way that the management of each program and their monitors and auditors can live with.







## **Panelists Respond**

- How did you address the biggest challenges identified in the poll and how did that work out?
- What advice would you give other partnerships about coordinating career services?





# AJC Partner Role: Memorandum of Understanding



One of the critical requirements that a one-stop partner must satisfy is signing the local MOU, which describes:

- Services
- Access
- Referral
- Duration
- Appeals

- One-Stop Operating Budget
- Other Contributors
- Modification Process
- Signatories







#### Poll



# What progress have you and your local partners made in developing your MOU?

(if you don't work in a local area, please select the answer that best describes the local areas you interact with)

Choose the answer that best reflects you (or your group):

- 1. We are done! All core, required and additional partners have signed.
- 2. We have made good progress, but are still working on the cost sharing part.
- 3. We are starting the process.
- 4. We are waiting for (more) guidance from the State or Federal entities.
- 5. Tell me again: What is an MOU?







## **Panelists Respond**

- How are you developing your MOU?
  - What has worked well and what has not worked well?
- What advice would you give other partnerships about developing an MOU?









## **Partner Role: Participation**

- Participate in operation of the AJC network consistent with the MOU
- Provide representation on State and Local WDBs (as required)
- Participate in Board committees, as needed.







#### Partner Role: Business Services

To support area employers and industry sectors most effectively, AJC staff, including designated partner program staff, must:

Clearly understand industry skill needs;

Identify appropriate strategies to assist employers;

Coordinate business services across AJC partner programs; and

Incorporate an integrated and aligned business services strategy among AJC partners to present a unified voice to employers.







# **Any Questions?**



Enter your questions in the Chat window (lower left of screen)











# Implementing Comprehensive, Affiliate, and Colocation Requirements Under WIOA

❖ March 1, 2017

- State and Local peers share challenges and triumphs
- Continue the conversation with Peer Learning Group

# One-Stop Operator Competition:

The Basics

❖ March 8, 2017

- Interactive dialogue covering:
  - ✓ Background, Roles, and Functions
  - ✓ Eligible Entities
  - ✓ Procurement Standards







# Universal Design: A Customer Centered Approach

❖ March 15, 2017

Engage with two local areas who will share their process and innovations for a customer centered One-Stop

# One-Stop Operator Competition:

- "Deep Dive"
- ❖ March 22, 2017

- Interactive dialogue covering:
  - ✓ Competitive Procurement Process
  - ✓ Essential Contract Elements
  - ✓ Avoiding Conflicts of Interest
  - ✓ Transition, Implementation, and Monitoring







#### American Job Center Branding for the Next Generation Workforce System

**April 5, 2017** 

- Exploration of available resources
- Branding success highlights from around the country

#### **American Job Center Certification:**

A Tool to Maximize State's Quality and Consistency of Services

**❖** April 12, 2017

# **MOU Part I:** Overview & Development

**April 26, 2017** 

#### **Discussion on:**

- Emerging practices occurring in states evaluating effectiveness
- Physical and programmatic accessibility
- Continuous improvement
- Discussion of different types of MOUs and key elements
- Showcase a sample MOU document







# Increasing Opportunity for Shared Customers: Integrated Service Delivery through the American Job Center Network

Advice and lessons learned when building an integrated service delivery system

**❖** *May 17, 2017* 

**MOU Part II:** Local vs. State Funding Mechanism

❖ May 31, 2017

- Infrastructure costs are funded either through the Local or State funding mechanism
- Federal partners walk participants through both options and provide examples

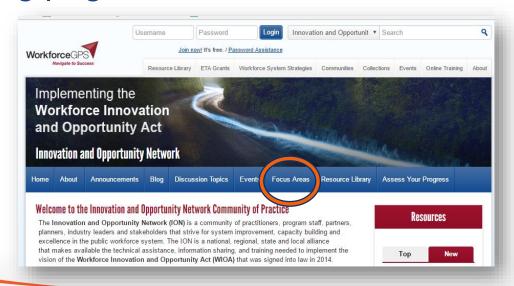






#### **ION Website – New Focus Areas Tab**

The new Focus Areas navigation tab on the ION homepage offers a host of resources on 11 key elements of WIOA. This information was formerly housed on the WIOA Implementation Training page.







#### **Guidance**

- One-Stop Operating Guidance for the American Job Center Network released jointly in:
  - Training And Employment Guidance Letter No. 16-16 (ETA)
  - Technical Assistance Circular 17-2 (RSA)
  - Memorandum 17-4 (OCTAE)













