Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) 2016-2020
Regional and Local Plan Update
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Regional Plans

• WIOA required States to establish Regions
• New Jersey Planning Regions created
  • North
  • Central
  • South
• Regional Plans Submitted (October 3, 2016)
  • Conduct Regional Labor Market Analysis
  • Establish Regional Service Strategies
  • Develop and Implement Sector Initiatives
  • Establish coordinated cost agreements, coordination of shared services, and coordination of services with economic development
South Jersey Workforce Collaborative

- Atlantic
- Burlington
- Camden
- Gloucester
- Cumberland/Salem/Cape May
- Included consideration of Philadelphia and Delaware labor markets
- Ongoing, active engagement critical between local boards, to foster coordination in new ways
  - Quarterly/Annual Regional WDB Meetings
  - Creation of Regional MOU
  - Industry Sector Teams
Notable Regional Coordination

• Regional Business Services/Outreach efforts
• Regional Employer Consortia and work with TNs/TDCs
• WDB Committee coordination/sharing
• Streamlining OS referral processes
• Regional Cross-Training of Staff
Local Plans

• State/Regional Plan Alignment
  • Board Vision and Goals
  • Identify area priorities; key industry sectors
  • Maximize local area strengths and minimize any weaknesses through regional collaboration and high quality partnerships

• WIOA/NJ Priorities
  • Credential Attainment: Linked to Key Industries
  • Youth Activities: 75% funds to OSY; 20% to Work Experience
  • Literacy Services Flow: Coordination and Co-Location

• Analysis of One-Stop Services (Matrix)
  • Federal requirement for OSOP competitive selection
  • One-Stop Career Center Certification
Local Plan Goals

• Incorporate Cape May fully into the administrative framework of the WDB;

• Foster new opportunities to coordinate with local and regional businesses, industries and economic development organizations;

• Strengthen alignment with and build on services to the individuals that have historically been part of the regions hard to reach population;

• Ensure system and program integrity through metrics and greater transparency;

• Expand regional outreach and enhance transparency through greater program awareness
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