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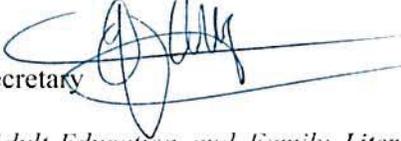


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PROGRAM MEMORANDUM OCTAE/DAEL FY2015-01

TO: State Directors of Adult Education

FROM: Johan Uvin
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SUBJECT: Transition of the *Adult Education and Family Literacy Act* from the *Workforce Investment Act* to the *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act*

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) was signed into law by President Obama on July 22, 2014. This Act reauthorizes the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) with several major revisions. The law goes into effect July 1, 2015 and includes provisions for an orderly transition from the Workforce Investment Act to WIOA during Program Year 2015, also known as the transition year. The full implementation of WIOA goes into effect July 1, 2016.

State plans are required for States to receive allotments under AEFLA, under both WIA and WIOA. Last year, the Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE) approved a one-year extension of operating plans, and those extensions will expire on June 30, 2015. States need to revise existing plans in order to demonstrate how they will plan for and incorporate requirements of WIOA during the transition year. Additionally, the States and OCTAE need to agree upon new performance targets for the coming year, and the new targets must be incorporated into the existing State plans as a revision.

Please feel free to contact your area coordinator for technical assistance in meeting these requirements. We look forward to working with you.

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