EQUITY TASK FORCE

Policy workgroup

Date: Wednesday, July 7, 2021

Time: 8:30-10:00 AM CST

Location Zoom (See Details Below)

Equity Taskforce Co-Chair: Elba Aranda-Suh

Workgroup Co-Leads: Sergio Mendoza and Angela Morrison

**Staff Present:** Brian Richard, Martha Smith, Gina Wells, Kelly Burrello

**Members Present:** Elba Aranda-Suh, Peter Creticos, Pastor Ford, Jennifer Foster, Jessica Linder-Gallo, Jason Keller, Sergio Mendoza, Angela Morrison, Magdalena Rivera, Manny Rodriguez

**Members Absent:** Jamie Ewing, Laura Gergely, Greg Harle Julio Rodriguez, Manika Turnbull, Itedal Shalabi, Audra Wilson

**Also in Attendance:** Lisa Bly-Jones, Yolanda Clark, Lisa Jones

| Time | Item | Owner |
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| 8:30 am | Welcome Remarks, Agenda and Roll Call | Gina WellsAngela MorrisonSergio Mendoza |
|  | Approval of Minutes - June 2, 2021Angela Morrison called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.Manny Rodriguez moved to accept the minutes. Maggie Rivera seconded the mostion. After a unanimous voice vote the motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting passed. The group briefly discussed attendance and asked if there were any IWIB guidelines on member attendance. Lisa Bly Jones suggested a review of attendance requirements and will discuss with DCEO. She follow up with Aimee Julian regarding any existing attendance requirements. An audit of workgroup attendance was suggested.  | Angela Morrison |
|  | Discussion: Scope of Policy Workgroup Efforts and Recommendations Gina Wells led the group in a discussion of what the group’s underststanding is of the level of recommendation that will come out of this group, and if the workgroup wants to make recommendations or continue to explore within the work group. The lack of data and the need for a detailed process map. of how actions should flow. It was pointed out that the task force isn’t resourced to create a process map. The workgroup agreed that in order to make meaningful recommendations they want to do analysis in some key topic areas. In order for the report to drive equity further – it must address specific areas. Lisa Jones will work with DCEO on an existing process map. Gina mentioned that she and Kelly are building a bibliography and recommended that workgroup members read the LA County Workforce Development Board Listening Session for some perspective. | Gina Wells |
|  | Update on Analyzing Policy with an Equity LensGina provided an update on analyzing policy with an equity lens. The workgroup members received a copy of the toolkit prototype prior to the meeting. DCEO will pilot the toolkit while reviewing ETPL policy and conduct facilitate work session. Gina commented that this is a great time to pilot the tool as it will have maximum impact. She will give another status update at the August meeting.  | Gina Wells  |
|  | Status of Equity Impacts of Current Eligible Training Provider ListsBrian Richard gave an update on the Equity Impact of Current ETPL, reviewing the provider requirements and new criteria for the demand occupations training list (that was developed by an IWIB group.) He asked the group for ideas for possible evaluation/research questions. The workgroup suggested two different ideas 1) getting included on the provider list to offer services 2) reviewing participant outcome to assess whether they are equitable. Gina asked about for proposals for research questions in additional to training provider outcomes and geography. Equitable outcomes for occupations and livable wages, how many on the ETPL haven’t taken advantage of WIOA funds were suggested. Gina invited the group to email her or Kelly with any additional suggestions.  | Brian Richard |
|  | Update on Status of Digitally Disconnected Individuals RecommendationSergio informed the group that Digitally Disconnected Individuals hasn’t been added to the target populations yet, but the facilitators have the information and will be creating a document for review.  | Sergio Mendoza |
|  | Public CommentKelly invited anyone from the public who was in attendance to make comments. There were none. | Kelly Burrello |
| 10:00 am | Action Items, Next Steps, and Adjournment* Auditing membership of workgroup as a taskforce – investigate expectations
* Pull what DCEO has in terms of a process map for individuals accessing services at AJCs (Lisa Jones)
* Identify the importance of statewide policy for expectations
* EPTL analysis
* Look at training providers who do/do not access training funds

Sergio called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason Keller moved that the meeting adjourn. Maggie Rivera seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned. The next meeting is August 4, 2021 | Gina Wells |

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Topic: IL Equity Taskforce Policy Workgroup Meeting

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