

**Carl D. Perkins  
Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006  
Policy and Procedural Guide**

**Consortium Agreements for Postsecondary Institutions**

The following policy applies to postsecondary institutions with annual allocations of less than \$50,000, thereby subject to distribution of funds by consortium agreement.

Sec. 132(3)

(A) In General. – In order for a consortium of eligible institutions described in paragraph (2) to receive assistance pursuant to such paragraph, such consortium shall operate joint projects that –

- (i) provide services to all postsecondary institutions participating in the consortium; and
- (ii) are of sufficient size, scope, and quality to be effective.

(B) Funds to Consortium. – Funds allocated to a consortium formed to meet the requirements of this section shall be used only for purposes and programs that are mutually beneficial to all members of the consortium and shall be used only for programs authorized under this title. Such funds may not be reallocated to individual members of the consortium for purposes or programs benefitting only 1 member of the consortium.

Consortium postsecondary grantees must meet the requirements of Sec. 132 for the development, implementation and delivery of Perkins funding. Grantees unable to meet the requirements of the law will be subject to non-compliance actions taken by the state.

Consortium applications should be developed with goals and objectives mutually beneficial to all consortium partners. Joint projects and professional development activities are encouraged whenever possible. Partners should meet periodically throughout the year to jointly plan, disseminate information, develop strategies and evaluate continuous improvement practices.

Consortium partner annual Perkins allocations will be transferred to the lead fiscal partner that will oversee programs and purposes benefitting all consortium members.

It is recommended that consortium partners consult with the state to ensure compliance with the law.