



GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE COUNCIL

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Dear Workforce Stakeholder:

The Workforce innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) requires the Governor of each state to submit a State Plan that includes a four-year strategy and operational plan for the continuing implementation of the state's workforce development system, with an update after two years. States must have federally approved State Plans to receive funding under the six core programs (Adult, Dislocated Worker, Youth, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA), Wagner-Peyser, and the Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) programs.

The Office of Workforce Strategy is responsible for leading the coordination and preparation of Connecticut's Unified State Plan for 2024-2027 (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2027) across agencies on behalf of Governor Lamont and the Governor's Workforce Council (GWC) and will submit the Plan on March 4, 2024.

The Draft Plan has been released for public comment as of February 28, 2024. The Unified State Plan reflects all the work of the Governor's Workforce Council, its Core Program state agency partners in WIOA, the Connecticut Workforce Development Boards, and the many strategic partners of the GWC working to improve and focus the workforce development system. The Unified State Plan communicates the state's vision for the workforce development system as reflected in the Governor's Workforce Council's Strategic Plan. Consistent with WIOA planning requirements, the draft aims to foster better alignment of federal investments across job training and education programs in order to align service delivery across programs among shared customers, to improve efficiency in service delivery, and to ensure the workforce system matches skilled individuals with high-quality job opportunities and employers.

We invite all stakeholders to review the plan carefully and submit comments to GWC@ct.gov by 12:00pm on March 4, 2024.

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