

TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION LETTER

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To: Local Workforce Development Board Executive Directors
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Subject: Eligible Training Provider System: Accessing the Statewide List of Certified Training Providers

PURPOSE:

To provide Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) with instructions for accessing the Statewide List of Certified Training Providers (to be renamed Eligible Training Provider List) for information on training providers certified as eligible to receive funds under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA).

REFERENCES:

Workforce Investment Act; Sections 122 and 134(d)(4)
Workforce Investment Act; Final Rule Part 663, Subpart E
Texas Workforce Commission Workforce Investment Act Rules:
40 TAC §841.1-§841.96
WD Letter 03-01, Change 1, issued August 13, 2001, and entitled “Workforce Investment Act Training Provider Certification System: Program Year 2001 Performance Requirements for Initial and Subsequent Eligibility”
WD Letter 01-02, Change 1, issued April 10, 2002, and entitled “Workforce Investment Act Eligible Training Provider System: Program Year 2002 Performance Requirements for Initial and Subsequent Eligibility”
WD Letter 12-02, issued April 10, 2002, and entitled “Eligible Training Provider System: Initial and Subsequent Eligibility Application Process and Performance Reporting Requirements”

BACKGROUND:

Under WIA, the Texas Workforce Commission (Commission) is required to compile and maintain a list of training providers currently eligible to receive WIA funds. This list is entitled the “Statewide List of Certified Training Providers.”

PROCEDURES:

The Statewide List of Certified Training Providers, with accompanying training program-specific performance and cost information, must be distributed by Boards to the Texas Workforce Network throughout the State, as well as to individuals whose training is supported by other Texas Workforce Center partners.

Boards and Texas Workforce Center operators must ensure and facilitate access to the Statewide List of Certified Training Providers through any and all available means. The list and accompanying training program-specific performance and cost information must be readily available to all Texas Workforce Center clients. The Statewide List of Certified Training Providers must be used to facilitate informed consumer choice of training programs by individuals who are determined eligible for WIA-supported training services.

At Boards' discretion, the Statewide List of Certified Training Providers may be used to facilitate the delivery of other training services funded through the Commission including Choices, Food Stamp Employment and Training (FSE&T), Welfare-to-Work (WtW), Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), and North American Free Trade Agreement-Transitional Adjustment Assistance (NAFTA-TAA).

The web address for the Statewide List of Certified Training Providers is:

http://tpcs.twc.state.tx.us/TPCS/jsp/swl/swl_home.htm

The main web address for the automated Training Provider Certification System (to be renamed Eligible Training Provider System) is:

<http://tpcs.twc.state.tx.us>

ACTIONS REQUIRED:

Boards must ensure that appropriate staff are apprised of and comply with the requirements in this WD Letter.

INQUIRIES:

Direct inquiries to the Commission's TPCS Help Desk at:

- ▶ tpcs.helpdesk@twc.state.tx.us
- ▶ (866) 256-6333 [Toll Free]
- ▶ (512) 936-0669 [Local/Austin]
- ▶ E-mail: tpcs.helpdesk@twc.state.tx.us

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