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July 13, 2015

To:

WIA Contractors of the Orange County Workforce

Investment Area

From:

Andrew Munoz

Community Investment Division Administrator/

Orange County Workforce Investment Board

Executive Director

Subject:

New Federal Uniform Guidance and WIA Funds

Information Notice No. 15-OCWDA-01

PURPOSE:

To inform all OCWIB Contractors about the State-issued guidance regarding the new Federal Uniform Guidance for awards made prior to December 26, 2014.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This policy is effective on the date of issuance.

REFERENCES:

State Information Notice #WSIN14-58 dated June 3, 2015

BACKGROUND:

On December 26, 2013, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued the <u>Uniform Administrative Requirements</u>, <u>Cost Principles</u>, <u>and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards</u>; <u>Final Rule</u> (Uniform Guidance) (2 CFR Part 200, et al.), which combined eight separate sets of OMB guidance (old guidance) into one new, combined set of rules commonly referred to as the "Uniform Guidance." Federal agencies had one year to adopt the new Uniform Guidance. On December 19, 2014, the Department of Labor (DOL) issued its Final Rule adopting the OMB Rule with DOL exceptions (2 CFR Part 2900, et al.). The new Uniform Guidance applies to all Federal awards made on or after December 26, 2014.

Per the Training and Employment Guidance Letter 15-14, dated December 19, 2014, the DOL has given states the authority to continue to follow the terms and conditions of awards made prior to December 26, 2014, or to request modifications to their awards to replace those regulations with the new Uniform Guidance.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES:

1. The OCWIB and all OCWIB Contractors will follow the State guidance provided in State Information Notice WSIN14-58 dated June 3, 2015: "The state has elected to continue the current terms and conditions of the



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awards for the Program Year (PY) 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 allocations, and to begin implementing the new Uniform Guidance for the PY 2015-16 allocations. This decision will provide a distinct shift in the rules and regulations to be followed at the beginning of the program year, and coincides with the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act implementation start date of July 1, 2015."

2. Adherence to the new Uniform Guidance, starting in PY 2015-16, will be reviewed as part of fiscal monitoring.

ACTION:

Bring this Information Notice along with the attachment and references to the attention of all staff concerned.

INQUIRIES:

If you have any questions, please contact appropriate contract administration staff at 714-480-6500.

ATTACHMENT:

1. State Information Notice # WSD14-58 dated June 3, 2015

LINKS:

- 1. State Information Notice # WSD14-58 http://www.edd.ca.gov/Jobs and Training/pubs/wsin14-58.pdf
- 2. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; Final Rule (Uniform Guidance), 2 CFR Part 200, et al.

https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2013/12/26/2013-30465/uniform-administrative-requirements-cost-principles-and-audit-requirements-for-federal-awards

and

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-12-26/pdf/2013-30465.pdf

3. Department of Labor, Final Rule (adopting the OMB Rule with DOL exceptions), 2 CFR Part 2900, et al.

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-12-19/pdf/2014-28697.pdf



WORKFORCE SERVICES INFORMATION NOTICE

Number: WSIN14-58

Date: June 3, 2015 Expiration Date: 07/03/17 69:167:vn:17528

TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: NEW FEDERAL UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND WIA FUNDS

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For more information, please contact Viviana Neet at wiviana.neet@edd.ca.gov, or 916-653-9150.

/S/ JOSÉ LUIS MÁRQUEZ, Chief
Central Office Workforce Services Division

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