Comprehensive Case Management and Employment Program (CCMEP)

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CCMEP Overview

Statewide launch July 1, 2016:

◆ Provides funding for counties to serve low-income youth ages 16-to-24
◆ Aligns public assistance (TANF) and workforce programs (WIOA)
◆ Removes barriers to employment
◆ Focuses on improved employment and educational outcomes
Person-Centered Approach

- A focus on people, not programs
- Align WIOA and TANF to support employment
- Wrap-around support services to address barriers:
  - Child care
  - Transportation
  - Career counseling
Keys to Success

- Building a qualified workforce with manageable caseload sizes
- Separate eligibility from case management
- Cross-program knowledge
- Strong partnerships
Role of County Commissioners

- Local workforce development board involvement
- Assess opportunities for collaboration across public assistance and workforce agencies
- Designate lead agency
Summer Youth
One year-round youth program

- Summer employment will continue in CCMEP
- Transitioning to year-round services
- Counties have flexibility to provide summer jobs
- Significant dollars from multiple funding sources
Effectively engaging youth

- Shortened assessment
- Individualized plan focused on helping youth return to school and succeed in their education
- Aligned eligibility to match former TANF summer youth employment program
Serving 14 and 15 year olds

- Expand and invest in the in-school youth population
- One-time, transitional TANF funds
- Governor’s budget proposes to expand CCMEP to 14 and 15 year olds
- One youth program moving forward
Work Participation
TANF Work Participation

- States required to meet 50% and 90% rate
- Individuals must participate in activities for a minimum number of hours per week
- Strict federal limits on what activities “count”
  - Distinction between core and non-core hours
  - Time limits on job search, vocational education
How is CCMEP different?

- OWF recipients ages 16 to 24 not held to same activity restrictions for work participation
- Must still be engaged in federally-required minimum number of hours
- Measuring recipient outcomes (i.e., job entry, educational attainment)
New World → 2 Rates

- Individuals 25 and older (no change)
  - Subject to federal TANF activity limitations
- Individuals 16 to 24 in CCMEP (new)
  - Have flexibility in activity assignments
What does this mean for counties?

- Not held as a causal county as long as 16-24 year olds meet required hours, even if hours aren’t “countable”
- New work participation reports this summer reflecting the two rates
Questions

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