

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE RULES OF THE WYOMING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING FUND

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Wyoming Workforce Development Training Fund (WDTF) is proposing changes that will affect the Division’s rules, and reimbursement schedule. These proposals include modifications to the *Wyoming Workforce Development Training Fund Rules*.

Workforce Development Training Funds (WDTF) Chapter 4 – Apprenticeship Grants rules were last updated on 9/23/2019. WDTF reviewed this rule, updated the purpose and revised it to streamline the language and process.

WDTF proposes the following changes to these rules:

Section 2 – Purpose

Deleted “where there is a shortage of skilled workers”; Added “and to assist Wyoming Registered Apprenticeship Programs with the costs and expenses of implementing the program and training the apprentices”

Section 3 – Definitions

(a) added “by a Wyoming-based business” to apprentice

(c) deleted “an apprenticeship program” – added “apprentices”

(e) changed Related Instruction to Related Technical Instruction (RTI) – this has also been updated throughout the rule

Section 4 – Apprenticeship Grants

(b) Applicant Compliance Requirements

(b)(i) and (ii) – added “Registered and”

(c) Related Instruction Eligibility to RTI Eligibility

(c)(ii)(A)(III) – updated the physical address for DWS

(c)(ii)(A)(IV), 1 and 2 – updated the effective date and 2 updated the website for 29 CFR Part 29 and 30

(d) Allowable RTI Expenses

(d)(ii) and (d)(iii) - added “directly related to the RTI”

(e) Non-allowable RTI Expenses

(e)(i) added “including computer hardware and/or”

(f) Grant Application Process

(f)(ii)- broke the existing sentence into two parts;

(f)(ii)(a) – “The related technical instruction provider when they are a separate entity, such as a community college, and”

(f)(ii)(b) – “The US DOL Office of Apprenticeship”

(f)(iv) added detailed description of cause, effect and remedy of past performance on grants and acceptability of any pending application

(j) Performance Standards – reworded for clarity and when to expect reimbursement

(j)(i) deleted “Eighty percent (80%) of the apprentices complete the related instruction” added – “Satisfactory progress of related technical instruction is provided when invoices are submitted with supporting documentation”

(j)(ii) changed “individual” to “applicant’s”; and, added – “as approved by the Office of Apprenticeship, and the apprentices’ completion rate of the RTI”.

Other edits made were minor including formatting, duplicative and grammatical issues.

Written comments should be submitted to the following address by **May 31, 2022**.

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A public comment period will end at close of business on **May 31, 2022**.

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