## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

# Employment & Training Administration Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) [SGA/DFA PY 11-05] Amendment One

#### **Workforce Innovation Fund**

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor

**ACTION:** Notice: Amendment to SGA/DFA PY 11-05

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration announced on December 22, 2011, the availability of funds and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for the Workforce Innovation Fund to be awarded through a competitive process. This amendment to the SGA announces an Administrative Flexibility webinar, offers clarification to two sets of Frequently Asked Questions posted on the Workforce Innovation Fund website, inserts additional text after Section III.A.1.vi of the SGA, and replaces text in Section V.A.6 of the SGA. The document is hereby amended.

A pre-recorded webinar addressing Administrative Flexibility is available on-line at <a href="http://www.doleta.gov/workforce\_innovation/">http://www.doleta.gov/workforce\_innovation/</a>. While a review of this webinar is encouraged, it is not mandatory.

Two sets of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) have been posted to the Employment and Training Administration's Workforce Innovation Fund website at <a href="http://www.doleta.gov/workforce\_innovation/">http://www.doleta.gov/workforce\_innovation/</a>. One set can be found in the top left-hand column and a shorter version can be found at the bottom of the page.

 Both sets of FAQs have been updated as of January 27, 2012. Prospective applicants should review both documents to ensure compliance with the solicitation requirements. Please check the Workforce Innovation Fund website frequently for future updates.

## Section III.A.1, the following text should be inserted after III.A.1.vi:

State Workforce Agencies may enter into partnerships with Local Workforce Investment Boards; however, these will not be considered consortia. In this case, the State Workforce Agency should not designate itself as a "consortium applicant" and it will not receive the consortium bonus points. The applicant will also not be required to include a consortium agreement as discussed in Sections III.A.2 and IV.B.Part III(f).

### Section V.A.6, the following text should be replaced with the new text:

Old Text – Applicants proposing a consortium project as applicant type ii or iv (as defined in Section III.A.1.) may earn up to 5 points by demonstrating the existence of a robust cross-state,

cross-local area; or cross-Section 166 grantee partnership and providing evidence of a strong management plan for both technical implementation and evaluation.

New Text – Applicants proposing a consortium project as applicant type iv, v, or vi (as defined in Section III.A.1.) may earn up to 5 points by demonstrating the existence of a robust cross-state; cross-local area; or cross-Section 166 grantee partnership and providing evidence of a strong management plan for both technical implementation and evaluation.

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